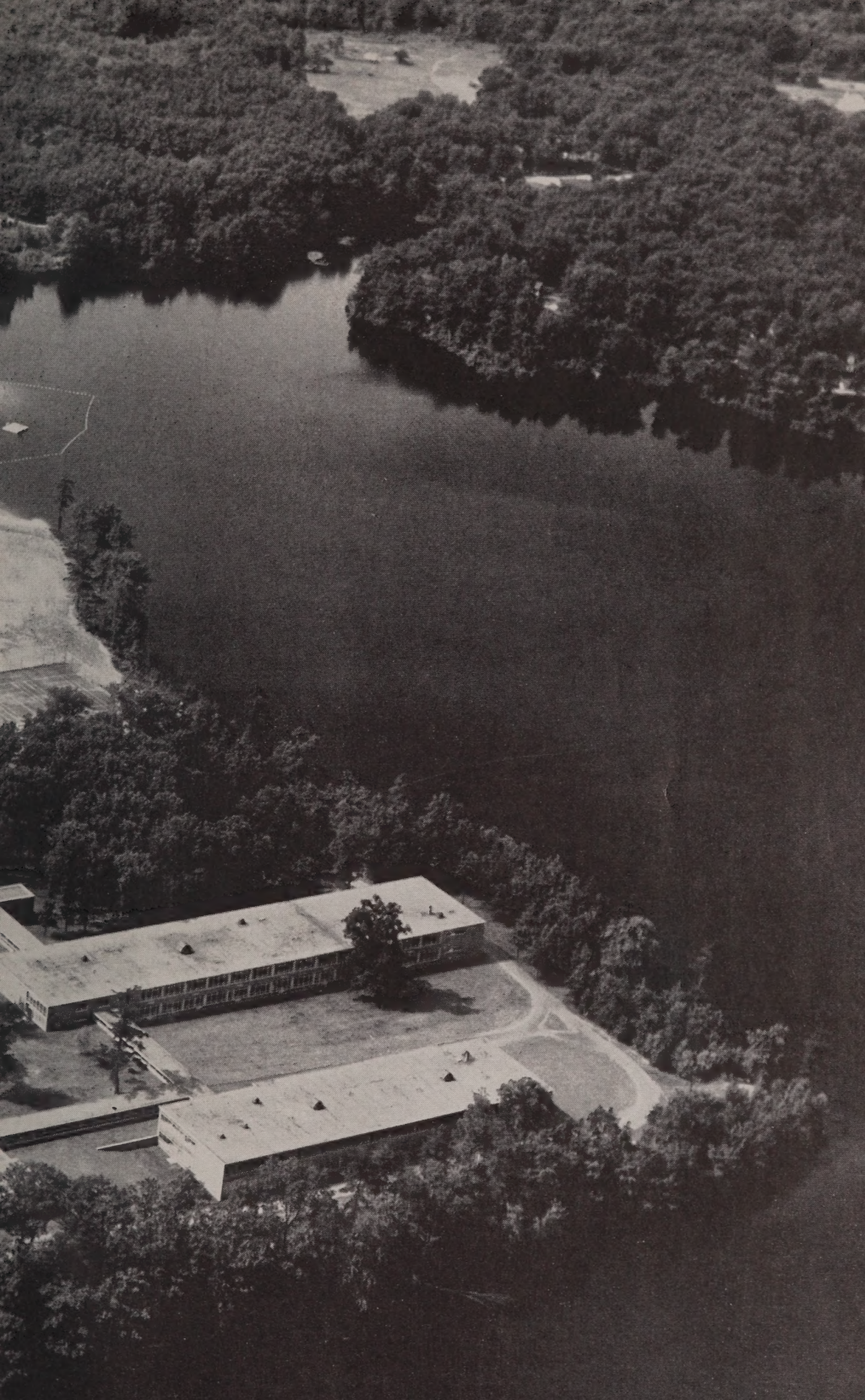


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# *Information for Voters*

Natick was incorporated as a Town on February 19, 1781.

Location: 18 miles west of Boston.

Population: 26,213.

Area: 15.99 square miles.

Assessed valuation: Upwards of 41 million dollars.

Town Offices: Masonic Building and Clark's Block.

Tax Collector, 4 Washington Street.

State Senator: Charles W. Olson of Ashland.

United States Senators: Leverett Saltonstall and John F. Kennedy.

Representative in Congress: Joseph W. Martin, Jr. of North Attleboro  
14th Congressional District.

Representative in General Court: Leonard Amoroso.

Member of Governor's Council: Christian A. Herter, Jr.

Voting Qualifications: Must be 21 years of age, born in United States  
or fully naturalized; a resident of Massachusetts one year and of  
Natick six months, both continuously.

Registration of Voters: 1.) Monday evenings at Registrars' Office in  
Clark's Block. 2.) Special sessions previous to all elections.

Where to Vote:

Precinct No. 1 — Center School, Natick.

Precinct No. 2 — School House Hall, South Natick.

Precinct No. 3 — Brown School, West Natick.

Precinct No. 4 — First Congregational Church, Natick.

Precinct No. 5 — Lilja School, Oak Street, East Natick.

Precinct No. 6 — Bennett-Hemenway School on East Evergreen Road.

Precinct No. 7 — Harold Johnson School on South Main Street.

Precinct No. 8 — West School on Mill Street.

Tax Bills: Due and payable on or before October 1. Law provides for  
addition of interest from October 1 on bills unpaid after November  
1. Poll and motor excise taxes and water bills are payable 30 days  
from date of issue.

Library Hours: Morse Institute, daily except Sundays and holidays,  
9 A.M. to 6 P.M. Mondays and Fridays to 9 P.M.

Children's Library, 12 M. to 6 P.M. Saturdays and vacations 10 A.M.  
to 6 P.M.

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MASSACHUSETTS



*for the*  
*Year ending December 31, 1956*

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## *Resigned and Retired 1956*

### Retirements

Assessors Department.....Alice M. Ahearn

Margaret Gavin

Public Works Department.....John F. Burke

Welfare Department.....Albert H. Richardson



## *In Memoriam*

Past Town Treasurer.....Harry M. Ferguson

Past Park Commissioner.....Robert Dunbar

Water Department.....J. Newlin Bowers

William Manning

Building Department .....Mary F. O'Leary

School Department.....Blanche McCordick

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# Town Officers

The policy decisions for the government of Natick are made by various elected and appointed officers. In the year 1956 the people of Natick were served by these fellow citizens.

These officials are elected unless otherwise indicated.

<b>Board of Selectmen</b> William F. Wells	O. Edwin Swenson, <i>Chairman</i> Jerry T. Torti
<b>Moderator</b>	Edward R. Noyes
<b>Town Clerk</b>	James H. Fleming
<b>Tax Collector</b>	Chester E. Johnson
<b>Town Accountant</b> (appointed)	Richard E. Gould
<b>Town Treasurer</b>	Richard H. Potter
<b>Town Counsel</b> (appointed)	Robert F. White
<b>Board of Assessors</b> Richard S. Sanderson	James G. Nichols, <i>Chairman</i> William Amoroso
<b>Building Inspector</b> (appointed)	Richard L. Bennett
<b>Fire Department Chief</b> (appointed)	Lyman G. Brown
<b>Board of Health</b> Stuart C. Peterson	Joseph P. Foley, <i>Chairman</i> Frank A. East, M.D.
<b>Leonard Morse Hospital Trustees</b> William F. Bigelow, <i>Secretary</i> Ralph D. Harrington John L. Burke	Arthur B. Fair, <i>Chairman</i> Richardson Harwood Gordon S. Hodgson P. Edward O'Connor
<b>Housing Authority</b> John A. Grady Carleton R. Leavitt	Robert D. Coleman, <i>Chairman</i> Charles M. Winterson Peter A. Lombardi (appointed by State)
<b>Morse Institute Library, Trustees</b> Henri Prunaret William M. Carey	Thomas F. Quinn, <i>Chairman</i> Edward A. Baldwin Andrew B. Goodspeed
<b>Park Department Commission</b> Richard A. Robbins	Robert L. Gay, <i>Chairman</i> Charles J. Welch (resigned)
<b>Planning Board</b> G. Milo Balcom Edward A. Baldwin	Daniel J. Murphy, <i>Chairman</i> Frederick H. Buckley Carleton R. Leavitt
<b>Police Chief</b> (appointed)	W. Joseph Shea
<b>Public Welfare</b> Leo G. Richard	Rupert G. Warren, <i>Chairman</i> Myra Fitzgerald



<b>Public Works</b>	Thomas L. Huddy, <i>Chairman</i>
Frank Webber (resigned)	James Robertson*
*Appointed to fill vacancy of Jerry T. Torti who resigned	
<b>Recreation Commission</b>	John J. Lane, <i>Chairman</i>
Christine Hedderig	Charles J. Welch
<b>School Committee</b>	Allan S. Ross, <i>Chairman</i>
Wendell O. Poley	Thomas F. McGrath
Arthur E. Taddeo, M.D.	Leland G. Hollingworth
	Robert H. Anderson
<b>Sealer of Weights and Measures</b> (appointed)	Thomas H. Shinkwin
<b>Tree Warden</b>	Patrick A. Whalen
<b>Constables</b>	
Harry Cyphers	John E. Mitchell
John H. Heffernan	George E. Rogers
Helen McCormack	Russell C. Trask

### APPOINTED STANDING COMMITTEES

<b>Appeals Board</b>	Philip G. Sellew, <i>Chairman</i>
John F. Sullivan	Alvin Crain
<b>Finance Committee</b>	Howard L. Butters, <i>Chairman</i>
Harold Grant, <i>Secretary</i>	Ida C. Evans
Blanche Balcom	Hollis H. Hunnewell
Remolly J. Carnarolli	John A. Hill, Jr.
John R. Gray	Elmer A. Oesterlin
George H. Robinson	Norman W. Peoples
Charles W. Whitaker	James B. Stewart
Joseph T. Wignot, Jr.	Frank F. Palis
<b>Industrial Council</b>	Howard L. Butters, <i>Chairman</i>
Walter E. Flagg, <i>Secretary</i>	O. Edwin Swenson
Frank Webber	John Powers
James G. Nichols	Andrew B. Goodspeed
William Amoroso	Henri Prunaret
Richard S. Sanderson	Daniel J. Murphy, Jr.
Charles W. Whitaker	Jerry T. Torti
Edwin H. Parkin	George H. Robinson
	George L. Flynn (deceased)
<b>Personnel Board</b>	Earl B. Webb, <i>Chairman</i>
Philip D. Anderson	Ronald S. MacKenzie
Francis E. Horbert	Joseph P. McDermott
<b>Contributory Retirement Board</b>	John L. Casaly
George F. Roberts	Richard E. Gould
<b>Registrars of Voters</b>	John R. Rae
William Lacrosse	Philip Pinkham

### SPECIAL COMMITTEES

<b>Assessment Revaluation</b>	L. E. Whipple, <i>Chairman</i>
Walter C. Ward	William G. Martin, Jr.
Henry R. Flanders	
<b>Bacon Free Library Maintenance</b>	Arnold H. Hunnewell, <i>Chairman</i>
Marion C. Pfeiffer	Charles Pfeiffer
Edward A. Baldwin	W. Frank Callahan

## SPECIAL COMMITTEES (Continued)

<b>Civil Defense</b>	William F. Wells
<b>Cole School Building</b>	Fletcher A. Hatch, <i>Chairman</i>
William G. Martin, Jr.	Arthur S. Atkinson
Mildred G. Prunaret	Kenneth J. Cumming
<b>Record Storage Vault</b>	James H. Fleming
Richard E. Gould	Chester E. Johnson
<b>Workmen's Compensation and Insurance</b>	Fletcher A. Hatch, <i>Chairman</i>
Earl B. Webb	Robert F. White
<b>West Natick Fire Station</b>	Arthur L. Eldridge, <i>Chairman</i>
Frederick Chamberlain	Bernard T. Gately
<b>Committee to Study War Memorials</b>	William F. Wells, <i>Chairman</i>
Leonard G. Dye	Raymond J. Allen
Kinson L. Martin	Raymond Zingarelli
<b>Central Purchasing</b>	Richard H. Potter, <i>Chairman</i>
John E. Gilleland	Ralph I. Larson
Richard E. Gould	Charles W. Whitaker
<b>Town Collector</b>	Richard H. Potter, <i>Chairman</i>
Richard E. Gould	Chester E. Johnson
<b>Police, Courthouse Building Addition</b>	Ray C. Tannar, <i>Chairman</i>
Frederick Chamberlain	Burnham Gage
<b>Incinerator</b>	Roger D. Williams, <i>Chairman</i>
Roger H. Doggett	John W. Young
<b>Garaging of Town Owned Vehicles</b>	Norman W. Peoples, <i>Chairman</i>
Francis M. Coan	Oliver B. Hill
<b>Town Services</b>	Norman M. Barlow, <i>Chairman</i>
Lorraine Demeritt	
<b>Speen Street</b>	Eda M. Drugg, <i>Chairman</i>
Myron Douglas	William L. Larkin, Jr.
John F. Kelley	Jerry T. Torti
<b>Town Manager</b>	George C. Allen, <i>Temporary Chairman</i>
Douglas L. Russell	Dorothy B. Read
Elizabeth B. Coolidge	
<b>Lilja and Lincoln Schools Additions</b>	Fletcher A. Hatch, <i>Chairman</i>
William G. Martin, Jr.	Arthur S. Atkinson
Mildred G. Prunaret	Kenneth J. Cumming
<b>Town Report</b>	Emil K. Anderson, <i>Chairman</i>
Marian F. Briggs	Edmund J. Coolidge
Wendell O. Poley	Robert P. Springer
Alexander N. Tedesco	Dominic Tessicini
Jean B. Thompson	Bruce M. Stott
<b>School Survey</b>	Daniel J. O'Leary, <i>Chairman</i>
Mary C. Gray, <i>Secretary</i>	Robert H. Anderson
G. Milo Balcom	Minot B. MacDonald
Fletcher A. Hatch	Charles W. Whitaker

# *Town Meeting Members*

<i>Precinct</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Number of Meetings Attended</i>
3	Adams, Herbert F.,	5 Hardwick Rd.	3
1	Ahearn, Charles J.,	7 Church St.	1
6	Allen, George C.,	6 Leighton St.	3
4	Allison, Helen T.,	72 Washington St.	3
6	Altman, Laura M.,	1 Wentworth Rd.	3
5	Anderson, Esther W.,	112 Bacon St.	1
4	Anderson, Robert H.,	34 Franconia Ave.	3
6	Anderson, Walter J., Jr.,	Evergreen Rd.	2
2	Anderson, William J., Jr.,	14 Lincoln St.	2
3	Anthony, Warren S.,	205 Speen St.	3
7	Armata, Antonio G.,	8 Washington Ave.	3
4	Baker, Harry D.,	11 Beacon St.	3
4	Balcom, G. Milo,	30 Beacon St.	3
4	Balcom, Robert M.,	13 Beacon St.	3
1	Baldwin, Edward A., Jr.,	92 Woodland St.	3
3	Barlow, Norman M.,	70 Hartford St.	2
1	Barnicle, Edward J.,	6 Circular Ave.	2
7	Barnicle, George F.,	5 Atherton St.	2
7	Barnicle, Marie A.,	5 Atherton St.	2
2	Barr, Charles E.,	147 Eliot St.	0
8	Bartlett, Ernest R.,	12 Draper St.	3
2	Belisle, Eugene L.,	18 Pleasant St.	2
6	Bengtsson, Gunnar,	52 Wethersfield Rd.	2
3	Bennett, Richard L.,	45 Hartford St.	3
4	Bere, Howard K.,	28 Beacon St.	2
4	Bigelow, Mary L.,	52 Walnut St.	0
4	Bigelow, William F.,	52 Walnut St.	2
3	Bishop, Frank M.,	159 Hartford St.	2
1	Bokoske, Charles H.,	4 Grant St.	1
3	Bowles, George K.,	29 Purington Ave.	3
3	Bowles, Marguerite H.,	29 Purington Ave.	3
4	Branagan, Francis J.,	31 Sawin St.	2
2	Bransfield, Elizabeth A.,	49 Pleasant St.	3
6	Brew, John R.,	7 Spring Valley Rd.	2
3	Brown, Edward H.,	9 Travis Rd.	1
8	Brown, Herman F., Jr.,	11 Sylvia Ave.	3
3	Brown, Joseph W.,	33 Ridge Ave.	3
7	Brown, Richard J.,	10 Pitts St.	1
3	Bryan, Ralph J.,	15 Barnesdale Rd.	3
5	Bryant, Eugene E.,	8 Marshall Rd.	3
7	Burbey, John F.,	33 Pearl St.	3
7	Burke, Edward W.,	91 South Main St.	1
4	Burke, Joseph F.,	46 Charles St.	3
1	Burke, Walter L.,	11 Cottage St.	2
4	Burke, Walter T.,	55 Walnut St.	3
3	Bell, James W.,	14 Braemore Rd.	3
1	Carey, Mary E.,	16 Lincoln St.	2
1	Callahan, Isabella M.,	1 Lincoln Place	0
4	Canning, Daniel H.,	61 Marion St.	0
1	Cantrel, Francis G.,	153 East Central St.	0
5	Carlson, Norman E.,	1 Rolling Lane	1
5	Chadwick, Charles F.,	10 Oak St.	3
7	Chamberlain, Frederick L.,	4 Maple Ave.	0
6	Charron, William,	50 Wethersfield Rd.	2
7	Church, Herbert S.,	7 Nelson St.	2
5	Clough, Isabel Q.,	3 Princeton Rd.	3
3	Coleman, Walter F.,	14 Clifton Rd.	1



<i>Precinct</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Number of Meetings Attended</i>
8	Connolly, Joseph W.,	19 Mill St.	3
7	Coolidge, Edmund J.,	79 West Central St.	3
7	Coolidge, Elizabeth B.,	79 W. Central St.	3
8	Coolidge, Lincoln,	9 Proctor St.	3
8	Coplan, Myron J.,	47 Speen St.	3
7	Cox, Clayton E.,	49 High St.	1
1	Crain, Alvin W.,	9 Lincoln St.	2
1	Crain, Dorothy W.,	9 Lincoln St.	3
6	Crawford, Donald G.,	318 N. Main St.	1
5	Davern, Leo R.,	12 Cooper Rd.	3
3	DeMelle, Walter E.,	3 Greenwood Rd.	3
3	DeMerritt, Franklin,	13 Braemore Rd.	3
8	Dolan, Willard J.,	103 Speen St.	2
3	Donovan, Joseph J.,	13 Nottingham Drive	1
5	Doran, Francis E.,	14 Winslow Rd.	1
8	Douglas, Myron J.,	55 Speen St.	3
2	Dowd, Francis E.,	165 Union St.	3
4	Drowne, Prescott R.,	8 Beacon St.	2
1	Drugg, Eda M.,	16 Strawberry Hill Rd.	3
2	Duclos, Irvin G.,	7 Glen St.	3
1	Duffy, William H.,	Off Woodland St.	0
8	Dunton, Emery J.,	62 Speen St.	3
3	Everett, D. Emerson,	24 Barnesdale Rd.	3
1	Finn, Anna E.,	5 Grant St.	3
4	Fisher, Alvan,	17 Grove St.	2
4	Fisher, Florence B.,	17 Grove St.	3
4	Fisk, Thacher H.,	31 Highland St.	1
4	Fitzgerald, Francis E.,	7 Lakewood Rd.	0
4	Flynn, John L.,	4 Lakewood Rd.	3
4	Flynn, Louise P.,	4 Lakewood Rd.	2
1	Foley, Francis J.,	13 Lincoln St.	0
6	Fox, Leon M.,	7 Flynn St.	3
4	Frazer, Rodney,	46 Walnut St.	3
2	Galvani, Helen B.,	50 Glen St.	3
7	Garabedian, Wilbur F.,	64 West Central St.	2
3	Gately, Bernard T.,	4 Greenwood Rd.	3
1	Gay, Robert L.,	96 South Main St.	2
1	Gibbons, Ann M.,	12 Strawberry Hill Rd.	0
2	Gleason, Robert E.,	12 Leach Lane	2
6	Gleason, Walter P.,	12 Irving Rd.	2
6	Golan, Harold P.,	24 Terrane Ave.	1
7	Grady, John A.,	17 Western Ave.	1
1	Grant, Ellen G.,	4 Circular Ave.	3
5	Gray, Winifred E.,	23 Marshall Rd.	2
6	Grey, Clyde N.,	20 Oak Knoll Rd.	3
5	Guyott, Frederick F., Jr.,	3 Halsey Way	2
1	Haddad, James A.,	122 South Main St.	0
5	Hamilton, Chester,	13 Bay State Rd.	3
7	Hanelin, Dorothy,	27 West Central St.	3
7	Harris, Leighton G.,	11 Tucker St.	2
8	Harrow, David C.,	55 Lakeview Ave.	2
4	Hastings, Dana B.,	41 Park Ave.	2
6	Hatch, Carl E.,	23 Hammond Rd.	3
4	Hatch, Fletcher A.,	11 Lakewood Rd.	3
2	Hayes, John R.,	5 Dover Rd.	3
7	Hayes, Olin W.,	95 West Central St.	3
1	Hedderig, Hanson J.,	70 East Central St.	2
1	Hedderig, M. Christine,	70 East Central St.	2
4	Hersey, Marie C.,	14 Shattuck St.	2
5	Hillberg, Owen T.,	8 Bay State Rd.	2
1	Hirschberg, William M.,	9 Wilogreen Rd.	1

<i>Precinct</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Number of Meetings Attended</i>
7	Holbrook, Goldwin L.,	17 Roxbury Ave.	3
2	Hopf, Earl F.,	6 Broads Ave.	3
2	Hunnell, Mary F.,	Pond Road	0
5	Hunt, William A.,	106 Oak St.	1
1	Hurst, Arthur J.,	166 South Main St.	0
5	Hutchins, Lyman M., Jr.,	18 Longfellow Rd.	2
5	Jansson, Frank E.,	47 Beverly Rd.	2
5	Jarvis, Franklin T.,	222 Oak St.	2
3	Jellison, Edmund,	9 Columbia Ave.	3
1	Jennings, John B.,	15 Sherman St.	3
8	Johnson, Chester E.,	37 Lakeview Ave.	3
1	Kane, William H.,	18 Cottage St.	3
7	Keating, Joseph P.,	24 High St.	2
1	Keating, Leo A.,	2 Grant St.	0
4	Keighley, Thomas F. J.,	60 Walnut St.	1
7	Keith, Roy S.,	24 Curve St.	3
4	Kiely, Robert E.,	30 Walnut St.	3
5	King, Douglas T.,	18 Bay State Rd.	3
3	King, John E.,	17 Sherwood Rd.	3
2	Klein, Archibald E.,	14 Water St.	2
2	Lamothe, Paul A.,	2 Pleasant St.	2
2	Lamprey, George E.,	12 Water St.	3
1	Lane, John J.,	Off Woodland St.	3
7	Lane, William F.,	1 Durant Rd.	0
3	Langhorst, Frederick H.,	29 Ridge Ave.	3
1	Larkin, William L., Jr.,	20 Pinewood Rd.	2
1	Leavitt, Carl R.,	9 Westview Ave.	3
4	Leavitt, Carlton R.,	37 Park Ave.	3
7	Leavitt, Effie E.,	56 West Central St.	1
1	Leavitt, Ruth J.,	1 Westview Terrace	3
6	Luttrell, James N.,	30 Bradford Rd.	3
5	Lebowitz, Marshall,	2 Abbott Rd.	3
5	Macaione, Sam R.,	49 MacArthur Rd.	1
3	MacDonald, Minot B.,	193 Speen St.	2
3	Maddocks, Frank E., Jr.,	22 Curtis Rd.	2
1	Mahoney, Thomas H., Jr.,	8 Lincoln St.	1
1	Martin, William G., Jr.,	32 Strawberry Hill	3
4	Mason, Priscilla C.,	3 Payson Rd.	0
4	Meek, William J.,	52 Beacon St.	2
3	Miller, Arthur G.,	16 Sherwood Rd.	1
4	Mitchell, John E.,	44 Walnut St.	1
4	Moore, Sumner L.,	17 Beacon St.	2
7	Morrill, John F.,	61 So. Main St.	0
1	Murphy, Daniel J., Jr.,	26 Franconia Ave.	3
4	Murphy, Elizabeth G.,	4 Grove St.	2
1	Murphy, Marion T.,	108 East Central St.	0
4	McCordick, Blanche K.,	51 Washington Ave.	3
1	McCormack, Kermit E.,	8 Wilogreen Rd.	1
1	McEnroe, John B.,	177 E. Central St.	3
4	McManus, Charles E.,	5 Overhill Rd.	2
5	Nettleton, Ralph B.,	3 Rolling Lane	3
3	Oesterlin, Elmer A.,	16 Virginia Rd.	1
5	Olshansky, Simon S.,	15 Harwood Rd.	3
5	Paine, Louis H.,	34 Beverly Rd.	1
5	Parkin, Edwin H., Jr.,	2 Euclid Ave.	3
3	Pease, Kendell M.,	53 Hartford St.	3
8	Perry, Edward F.,	203 Pond St.	3
6	Peters, C. Oswald,	12 E. Evergreen Rd.	2
4	Pfeiffer, Ralph, Jr.,	97 North Main St.	2
4	Phillips, Albert R.,	7 Beacon St.	2
1	Poley, Wendell O.,	11 Lincoln St.	3

<i>Precinct</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Number of Meetings Attended</i>
3	Port, Nelson C.,	40 Travis Rd.	2
7	Potter, Richard H., Jr.,	14 Tucker St.	3
7	Prescott, Henry A.,	11 Quince St.	0
1	Proctor, Arthur L.,	51 School St. Ext.	3
5	Prunaret, Mildred G.,	Frost St.	3
5	Prunaret, Henri,	Frost St.	3
7	Quinn, Edmond G.,	26 Western Ave.	2
7	Richard, Leo G.,	5 Pitts St.	3
6	Robbins, Richard A.,	317 North Main St.	3
1	Roberts, George F.,	2a Circular Ave.	3
7	Robinson, Walter B.,	12 Tucker St.	3
7	Rogers, George M.,	14 Waban St.	3
7	Ross, Allan S.,	28 West St.	3
7	Sanborn, Albert A.,	15 Forest St.	1
6	Sanderson, Richard S.,	31 Lake Shore Rd.	3
6	Sandler, James,	29 Oak Knoll Rd.	3
5	Satterfield, Minna S.,	133 Bacon St.	2
3	Saunders, J. Vincent,	26 Porter Rd.	3
1	Schirmer, William F.,	4 Strawberry Hill Rd.	1
6	Schneider, Alan M.,	19 E. Evergreen Rd.	3
6	Schomer, John T., Jr.,	23 Pine St.	3
2	Sears, Katherine E.,	32 Pleasant St.	3
8	Shakespeare, Paul L.,	26 Pinehurst Ave.	3
4	Shannon, Emily L.,	56 Washington Ave.	3
6	Shavor, Kenneth A.,	15 Waring Rd.	3
1	Shea, Thomas J.,	12 Madison St.	3
1	Sims, Donald R.,	7 Jefferson St.	2
5	Skelton, Edward M.,	7 MacArthur Rd.	0
8	Spiller, William J., Jr.,	41 Fiske St.	1
6	Stockbridge, George R.,	26 Birch Rd.	2
7	Stowers, Charles D.,	1 Palmer Ave.	1
1	Sullivan, John F.,	98 Union St.	3
7	Swenson, O. Edwin,	18 Tucker St.	3
5	Strachan, Victor R.,	36 Oak Ridge Ave.	2
7	Taddeo, Arthur E.,	61 West Central St.	0
7	Temprendola, Sergio J.,	24 Plain St.	1
6	Thompson, Jean B.,	17 Wedgewood Rd.	3
6	Thompson, Richard D.,	17 Wedgewood Rd.	3
8	Torti, Jerry T.,	36 Sylvester Rd.	3
4	Townsend, Walter R.,	5 Lakewood Rd.	3
5	Tripp, Edith M.,	10 Leland Rd.	3
6	Tuttle, Frank C.,	12 Magnolia Rd.	2
5	Uhlin, George E.,	17 Longfellow Rd.	3
4	Vance, James E.,	38 Walnut St.	3
4	Wallace, George H.,	139 N. Main St.	3
5	Walker, Frank S., Jr.,	110 Bacon St.	0
3	Walser, William C.,	7 Barnesdale Rd.	2
3	Webber, Frank,	17 Stacey St.	0
6	Wells, William F.,	211 Bacon St.	3
4	Wheeler, John S.,	11 Franconia Ave.	3
3	Whelan, Martin J., Jr.,	3 Columbia Ave.	1
6	Wilcox, Richard W.,	8 Spring Valley Rd.	3
5	Winterson, Charles M.,	207 Worcester St.	3
7	Woodbury, Corinne R.,	22 Tucker St.	3
7	Woods, Fred S.,	4 Nobby Lane	3
5	Woods, Gwendolyn C.,	11 Overbrook Terrace	1
4	Woods, Jessie W.,	17 Beacon St.	2



# Board of Selectmen

<i>Year</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Expended</i>
1954	\$6,300.00	\$5,813.58
1955	6,309.00	6,198.40
1956	6,459.00	5,854.89

## Regular Activities

DURING THE YEAR 1956 THE BOARD HELD 43 REGULAR MEETINGS, 24 special meetings, 18 meetings jointly with various committees, 114 Hearings, 8 Private Hearings. The Board issued 160 licenses, granted 85 permits, made 72 appointments, 568 workers for the elections held during the year. The Board approved a total of 1349 Treasury Warrants upon which a total of \$6,086,486.46 was expended for the payment of departmental payrolls and bills together with maturing debt and interest due.

## Police Department

James A. Clover, Ralph E. Higgins and Robert W. Ryan were appointed as Regular Patrolmen April 2, 1956. Anthony A. Melchiorri was appointed Reserve Patrolman April 16, 1956, Thomas R. Tannar, December 28, 1956.

## Town Meetings

The Board received 72 Articles for the Annual Town Meeting and after consulting with the departments that sponsored the Articles, it was voted to include the 72 Articles in the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting which was called for March 20, 1956 in the Senior High School Auditorium.



**"BY THE PEOPLE . . . FOR THE PEOPLE"** — (left to right) Town Accountant Richard E. Gould; Town Counsel Robert F. White; Selectmen William F. Wells, O. Edwin Swenson, Jerry T. Torti.

## **Traffic Rules and Orders**

Following Public Hearings, the Selectmen made, adopted and established the following amendments to the Traffic Rules and Orders, all of which have been approved by the State Department of Public Works, Traffic Division:

### **No Parking Signs**

- (1) West Side of Morse Street. (Sundays Only)
- (2) Park Avenue Both Sides from Worcester Turnpike to Pleasant Street. 8 A.M. to 6 P.M.
- (3) East Side of School Street from Common Street to East Street.
- (4) North Side of Bee Street from School Street to Church Street.
- (5) West Side of Church Street to Common Street.
- (6) South Side of Common Street from Church Street to School Street. From 6:00 A.M. to 6 P.M. (Not on Sundays)

### **Go Slow Children**

Go Slow Children Signs were painted on Streets in front of all Schools and some streets painted adjacent to the Schools. This has been very successful, especially where the Schools are located on the Main Highways.

### **Parking Meters**

Fees collected from Meters for the year 1956 were \$15,872.65.

### **Gasoline and Fuel Storage Licenses**

After Public Hearings were held the Board granted the following Licenses:

- (1) Natick Police Department.  
1,000 gallons.
- (2) Hudson S. Eldridge, 21 Eliot Street.  
1,000 gallons (not for sale).
- (3) American Oil Company, 67 East Central Street.  
Increased from 4,000 gallons to 8,000 gallons.
- (4) J. Edwin Mitchell, 200 North Main Street.  
Increased from 8,000 gallons to 12,000 gallons.
- (5) Paul's Trucking Co. (Dominic D'Innocenzo), Michigan Drive.  
5,000 gallons Diesel Fuel Oil (not for sale).
- (6) John F. Kelley, d.b.a. Colonial Cab.  
1,000 gallons (not for sale).
- (7) Clement E. Garvin, 135 West Central Street.  
11,000 gallons.

## **Annual Town Report**

The Board appointed the Town Report Committee for 1956 with Emil K. Anderson, Chairman. It was voted to have 3500 copies printed. The Selectmen advertised for bids for the printing of the Annual Town

Report for 1956. Two sealed bids were received. The Board accepted the bid of the Wellesley Press, Inc. of Wellesley.

### **Natick Safety Council**

During the year the Board has referred many Traffic Matters to the Council for study. The Council's recommendations on these matters have been most helpful to the Selectmen during the year.

### **Street Lighting**

The Annual Town Meeting of 1956 authorized the Selectmen to install forty additional street lights this year. After checking each request the Board ordered the installation of 30 street lights.

### **Filling of Vacancies in Elective Offices**

A joint meeting of the Public Works Commissioners and the Board of Selectmen was held in the Selectmen's Room on October 8, 1956 to fill the vacancy on the Public Works Commission caused by the resignation of Jerry T. Torti. James Robertson of High Street was elected to fill the vacancy.

A joint meeting of the Recreation Commission and the Board of Selectmen was held November 12, 1956 to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Thomas Quirk. Charles Welch of North Avenue was elected to fill the vacancy.

### **Notes and Bonds**

During the year the Selectmen approved and signed notes for a total borrowing of \$1,311,530.00.

### **Other Activities**

Granted package store licenses to Earl Richard and Richard Webster to be located at 220 West Central Street and to Verner A. Lilja to be located at 10 Worcester Street.

On March 19, 1956 because of severe snow storms a state of emergency was declared and \$20,000 was granted the Public Works Department for snow removal. On April 2, 1956 the Board of Selectmen approved request of Public Works Department to incur liability of \$47,000 for extra snow and ice removal.

At a special meeting held December 14, 1956 a state of emergency was declared because of snow and ice caused by the storm of December 14, 1956 and that liabilities for snow removal not exceeding \$5,500 may be incurred by the Town.

At a special meeting held December 31, 1956 a state of emergency was declared because of snow and ice caused by the storm of December 29, 30 and 31, 1956 and that liabilities for snow removal not exceeding \$8,000 may be incurred by the Town.

O. EDWIN SWENSON

WILLIAM F. WELLS  
*Selectmen of Natick*

JERRY T. TORTI

# *Town Clerk*

<i>Year</i>	<i>Employees</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Expended</i>
1955	1	\$8,906.00	\$8,824.39
1956	1	9,710.00	9,710.00

DURING 1956 THERE WERE 1039 BIRTHS, 217 MARRIAGES, 288 DEATHS. AS compared with 947 Births, 201 Marriages, 259 Deaths in 1955: 1785 Dog Licenses were issued in 1956 and the sum of \$3,913.20 turned over to the Town Treasurer, as against 1847 licenses issued in 1955 totaling \$4,060.80.

To comply with the policy of the Town Report Committee in curtailing the voluminous reports of some Town Departments, this department is pleased to co-operate by omitting the enumerating of the many duties of the Town Clerk as established by statute.

It is requested that the parents of children born in Natick return the Verification Report sent them by the Town Clerk, within forty days as required by law, otherwise the record of that child will be incomplete.

JAMES H. FLEMING, *Town Clerk*

## *Sealer of Weights and Measures*

I herewith submit the following report for 1956:

### SCALES, WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

<i>Adjusted</i>	<i>Sealed</i>	<i>Not Sealed</i>	<i>Condemned</i>
48	972	24	4

### TRIAL WEIGHINGS OF GOODS PUT UP FOR SALE

<i>Tested</i>	<i>Correct</i>	<i>Under</i>	<i>Over</i>
2423	1982	155	286

Inspections of Clinical Thermometers, Paper and Fibre Cartons, Peddlers' Licenses, Milk Jars, Coal Certificates, Wholesale Milk Cans, Marking on Bread Wrappers and Food Packages, Oil Jars, Ice and Junk Scales numbered 865.

THOMAS H. SHINKWIN,  
*Sealer of Weights and Measures*



# Town Counsel

DURING THE YEAR 1956 THE TOWN COUNSEL RENDERED PROFESSIONAL services to the Town in countless phases of municipal law. There were continual inquiries made of the Town Counsel by the various town officials, departments and committees with appropriate opinions, both written and oral as the case required, and advice being given in response thereto. Weekly meetings of the Selectmen were attended as well as other boards and committees whenever requested.

There were many new actions instituted against the town including several eminent domain damage assessment petitions, three cases of alleged sidewalk or street defects and three cases on appeal to the Appellate Tax Board.

A substantial number of affirmative actions were instituted on behalf of the Natick Board of Public Welfare seeking recovery of Welfare funds in various categories with full and complete recovery being made in all instances but two presently pending before the Courts. Other litigation and hearings involving various town departments, such as appeals from Board of Appeals' decisions, have been handled with the appropriate legal action being taken in each instance. Advantageous settlements of a number of suits and claims against the Town were consummated and others are pending.

Substantial recoveries were effected for the Town in the matter of two separate parcels of town land taken by eminent domain proceedings by the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority for toll road purposes.

ROBERT F. WHITE, *Town Counsel*

# Police Department

<i>Year</i>	<i>Full Time Employees</i>	<i>Part Time Employees</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Expended</i>
1954	31	9	\$138,951.93	\$138,773.50
1955	33	10	164,764.30	164,454.89
1956	36	12	186,081.58	184,884.92

Set out below is a comparison of the Departmental statistics for 1955 and 1956.

	<i>1955</i>	<i>1956</i>
Complaints requiring investigation	7280	6918
Arrest following investigation	1582	1374
Fines levied after conviction	\$17,303.00	\$14,695.00
Jail sentences	27 yrs., 5 mos.	40 yrs., 3 mos.
Value of stolen goods recovered	\$26,118.00	\$32,300.00
Traffic tags issued	4293	2951
Checks made on vacant homes on request	6372	6211
Money collected from parking meters	\$15,802.00	\$15,678.45
Parking meter fines levied	\$531.00	\$314.00
Miles cruisers (Police) traveled	190,056	222,885



**AN ARRESTING POSE . . . Natick Police Chief Joseph Shea.**

Contrary to the national trend, Natick showed a reduction in criminal statistics in 1956. While crimes lessened in number, they increased in seriousness. The value of stolen property increased more than 25% and we had our first murder in more than ten years. Burglaries in the outlying districts showed a sharp increase, which might have been greater had it not been for the additional prowler car and the vigilance of the Department. The installation of Police boxes and citizens' alarms has increased the efficiency of the Department. We are recommending four more boxes in 1957, one to be located on South Main Street, one at Lincoln Square, one in the business area on West Central Street, and one at the junction of Routes 9 and 27 in anticipation of the new shopping area.

In the world of banking, money has become tight. This, coupled with the tendency of otherwise sensible people to hoard their money in homes instead of banks, has led to a sharp rise in crimes of burglary, robbery, larceny and embezzlement.

On the brighter side, juvenile infractions have been reduced from

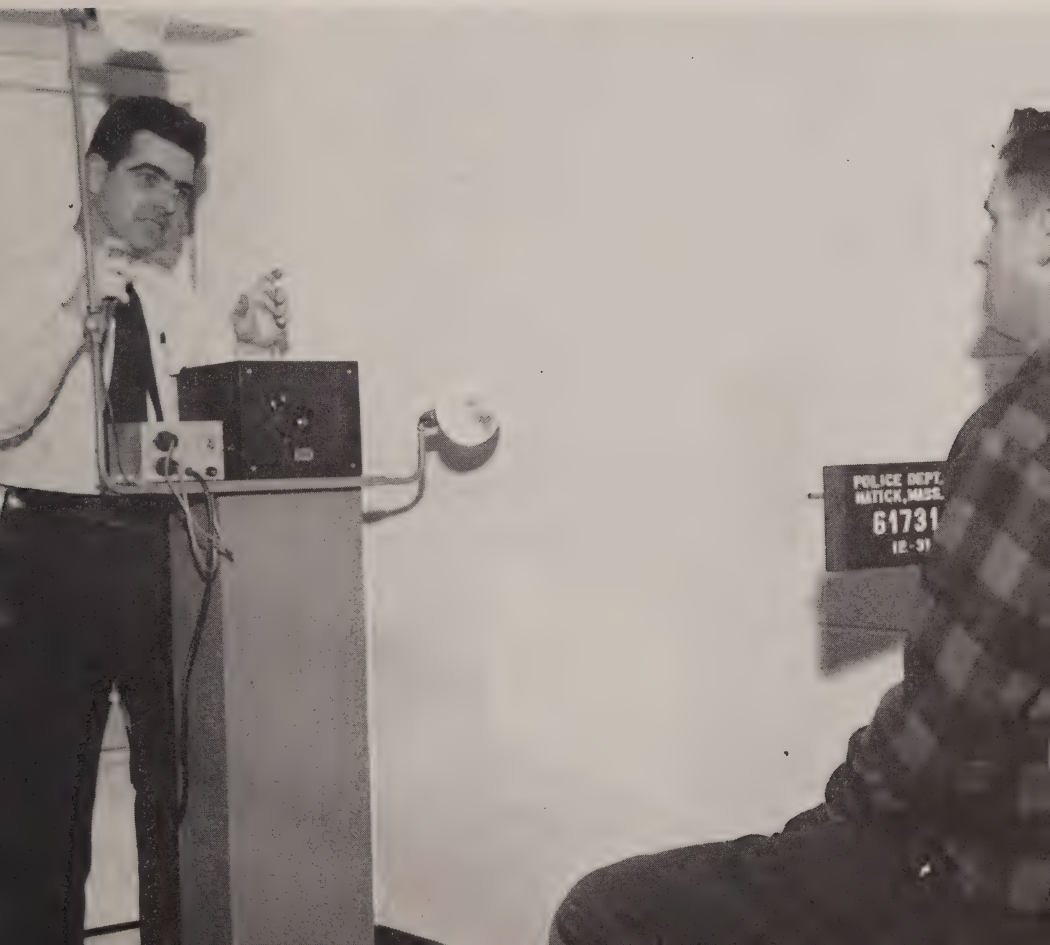
twenty-five cases in 1955 to twelve similar cases in 1956. Natick averages fewer juvenile problems than other towns of equal population. This could be due to a strong athletic reputation which all our youngsters attempt to live up to and civic interest manifested by our recreation department and organized groups.

The addition to the Police Headquarters has been completed. Increased facilities include a first rate four-car garage with electric push-button doors; a badly needed locker room, large enough to house all personnel; a photography room; a fingerprinting room; a modern records room; an interrogation room; and a combination Chief's and conference room. Next year we hope to enlarge the booking desk by extending it into the room formerly used as the Chief's office.

The training program continued in 1956. Four more officers graduated from the State Police Training School in Framingham and four more will attend in 1957.

Traffic daily grows more complex, as everyone knows, but the Police Department will probably never see the end of this problem. New local

**THEY'VE GOT YOU COVERED,** from every angle! The Natick Police Department Photographic Section.







**THEY'VE TAKEN WINGS!** The new addition — garages and offices — to the Natick Police Department.

situations arise daily and are easily dealt with but the most serious complications are connected with Route 9. The State promises solutions to the intersection of Oak Street and Grove Road this year. Action concerning the intersection of Speen Street awaits the opening of the Toll Road. There were no traffic accidents in school areas in 1956. However, we reached a new high in traffic fatalities. Four fatal accidents resulted in nine deaths in 1956. No amount of police work could have saved seven of the nine deaths in 1956.

In 1956 our Policewomen again demonstrated efficiency in law enforcement and economy in municipal government. We are seeking two more in 1957; one for the Cole School, and one for the Johnson School. This year, it is our hope to add the first Lieutenant to the Natick force. This appointment is a necessity in a town of this size. The gap between the Chief and a Sergeant is too great and leaves too much of the detail work and weight of command on the shoulders of one man. In making this request we are in line and some years behind our neighboring towns of Framingham and Wellesley.

Again we extend our thanks to the Auxiliary Police for the giving of their time and energy at all public gatherings and emergency situations during the year and to our fellow town officials whose cooperation continues to be the best.

W. JOSEPH SHEA, *Chief of Police*

The entire number of arrests for offenses committed in Natick for the year ending December 31, 1956, was 1374. Of this number 1291 were males, 83 females, 151 residents, 1223 were non-residents, 1344 were adults, 25

were minors. In addition there were 547 arrests made or summonses served for out-of-town police departments.

There were 12 juveniles summoned before the Juvenile Session of the District Court during the year.

#### ARRESTS BY MONTH IN 1956

	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Totals</i>
January	80	8	88
February	83	6	89
March	84	5	89
April	47	1	48
May	95	4	99
June	101	8	109
July	101	11	112
August	166	19	185
September	141	9	150
October	165	7	172
November	102	2	104
December	126	3	129
	<hr/> 1291	<hr/> 83	<hr/> 1374

#### CRIMES AGAINST THE PUBLIC ORDER IN 1956

	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Totals</i>
AWOL and escapees .....	1	0	1
Capias and arrest for other P.D. ....	10	1	11
Carrying pistol without permit .....	4	0	4
Contributing to delinquency .....	2	0	2
Disturbing the peace .....	4	0	4
Drunkenness .....	125	4	129
Fugitive from justice .....	0	2	2
Habitual school offender .....	2	1	3
Illegitimacy .....	2	0	2
Lewd, wanton and lascivious person .....	5	0	5
Non-support .....	13	0	13
Stubborn child .....	3	1	4
Unnatural act .....	2	0	2
Vagrancy .....	10	0	10
Violation Board of Health regulations .....	1	0	1
Violation Town By-law (Peeping Tom) .....	2	0	2
Violation probation .....	1	0	1
Wages, non payment .....	5	0	5
Weapon carrying .....	1	0	1
	<hr/> 193	<hr/> 9	<hr/> 202

#### CRIMES AGAINST THE PERSON IN 1956

	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Totals</i>
Assault and battery .....	9	0	9
Assault (indecent) .....	1	0	1
Assault with dangerous weapon .....	1	0	1
Confining and putting in fear .....	2	0	2
Manslaughter .....	3	1	4
Murder .....	1	0	1
Simple assault .....	2	0	2
	<hr/> 19	<hr/> 1	<hr/> 20

## CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY IN 1956

	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Totals</i>
Breaking and entering .....	16	0	16
Breaking, entering and larceny .....	3	0	3
Fraud .....	5	0	5
Larceny by check .....	2	2	4
Malicious destruction of property .....	2	0	2
Receiving stolen goods .....	1	0	1
Using motor vehicle without authority .....	7	0	7
Larceny .....	15	2	17
	<hr/> 51	<hr/> 4	<hr/> 55

## VIOLATION OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS IN 1956

	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Totals</i>
Allowing an improper person to operate a motor vehicle .....	5	0	5
Failing to comply with traffic signals .....	129	15	144
Failing to slow at intersection .....	9	0	9
Failing to slow for pedestrian .....	1	0	1
Failing to stop on signal of police officer .....	5	0	5
Going away after knowingly causing damage to property .....	7	0	7
Not properly displaying registration plates .....	1	0	1
Operating after suspension of license .....	4	0	4
Giving false name to police officer .....	2	0	2
Operating a motor vehicle negligently .....	50	3	53
Operating an unregistered vehicle .....	14	0	14
Operating an uninsured vehicle .....	8	0	8
Operating under the influence of liquor .....	51	1	52
Operating without a license .....	5	1	6
Refusing to sign name for a police officer .....	1	0	1
Speeding .....	672	46	718
All other motor vehicle violations .....	175	3	178
	<hr/> 1139	<hr/> 69	<hr/> 1208

## MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS DURING 1956

Motor vehicle accidents on public ways in Natick for the year 1956 which resulted in death or injury to persons are enumerated as follows:

	Injured	Males	Females	Males	Females	Personal Inj. Acc.	Property Dam. Acc.	Fatals	Total Accidents
		ADULTS		MINORS					
January	21	10	8	2	1	15	20	0	35
February	18	12	2	3	1	12	34	0	46
March	29	13	12	2	2	19	47	0	66
April	24	9	14	1	0	14	28	0	42
May	18	6	9	2	1	12	16	2	30
June	18	12	4	0	2	15	27	0	42
July	29	18	6	5	0	11	17	1	29
August	16	7	5	2	2	14	14	0	28
September	21	11	8	0	2	12	19	0	31
October	20	7	8	2	3	12	23	1	36
November	26	10	13	2	1	16	21	0	37
December	30	14	13	3	0	18	25	0	43
	<hr/> 270	<hr/> 129	<hr/> 102	<hr/> 24	<hr/> 15	<hr/> 170	<hr/> 291	<hr/> 4	<hr/> 465



## RECAPITULATION

	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Totals</i>
Crimes against public order .....	193	9	202
Crimes against the person .....	19	1	20
Crimes against property .....	51	4	55
Motor vehicle violations .....	1139	69	1208
	<hr/> 1402	<hr/> 83	<hr/> 1485

There were 465 automobile accidents investigated during the year, which is 20 less than in 1955. Of these, 170 resulted in personal injuries, an increase of 10 over the previous year.

During the year four fatal motor vehicle accidents occurred in Natick, resulting in nine deaths, this being one more fatal accident and six more deaths than in 1955. One fatal pedestrian accident occurred during the year. Two of the worst fatal accidents in the history of Natick were investigated during the year, one resulting in three deaths, the second in four deaths.

On May 12th, a two-year-old child lost her life on North Avenue while playing in front of her grandparents' home, when a car being operated by a neighbor backed out of the yard and over the child.

A Needham woman lost her life on May 26th, when thrown out of a car which was in a collision with another car on West Central Street.

On July 1st, three Boston youths lost their lives on Route 9, when a car they were riding in came in contact with another vehicle, jumped the center reservation and rolled over several times. There were thirteen persons riding in the two vehicles and all had been to a party at the same house in Framingham just prior to the accident.

The worst motor vehicle accident in Natick's history happened on October 27th, when four teen agers were fatally injured on Route 9, after the car they were riding in went up on the center reservation and struck a bridge abutment, throwing them out onto the highway.

## MISCELLANEOUS

Burglar alarms answered .....	32
Breaks and attempted breaks answered .....	19
Complaints investigated .....	7411
Dangerous condition of roads reported .....	53
Doors and windows found open .....	509
Escaped persons apprehended .....	7
Messages delivered .....	416
Military prisoners apprehended .....	6
Missing persons located .....	39
Number of insane persons committed .....	7
Stolen cars recovered .....	23
Sudden and accidental deaths investigated .....	13
Stolen bicycles recovered .....	39
Tags issued for violation of parking regulations .....	2951
Thefts of personal property reported and investigated .....	102
Transportation of persons to hospital .....	57
Vacant homes inspected .....	6211
Dog bite cases reported .....	28
Public accidents reported .....	9
Suicide attempts investigated .....	3
Letters to business firms relative to open windows, etc. ....	447
Persons fingerprinted for reasons other than criminal .....	162
Summonses served or arrests made for other police departments ..	547



**REACHING THE SATURATION POINT** — members of the Natick Fire Department show how it's done at the July Fourth celebration.

## *Fire Department*

<i>Year</i>	<i>Employees</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>
1954	47	\$197,308.61	\$195,385.10
1955	50	215,210.27	214,802.93
1956	56	253,026.57	251,403.22

THE PERSONNEL OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT WAS INCREASED DURING THE year by adding six men, three on January 1 and three on June 1. These additional men, with some transfers from the Central Station, were used

to man the new station at Speen Street. It is recommended that the Town continue to add a few men each year until a total of sixty-six firefighters is reached. This is in conformity with the 1952 Special Committee report.

The new station at West Natick was officially opened and a truck placed in service on July 10, the second unit was added on October 20.

The West Natick Fire Station Building Committee, composed of Arthur L. Eldridge, Chairman; Frederick Chamberlain and Bernard T. Gately, I believe, did a commendable job. They built for the Town a very practical and operative station with good foresight into the future by designing a building which will be adequate for additional men and equipment when necessary. I wish to extend to them my personal appreciation for the co-operative manner in which this committee functioned.

It is very necessary that the East Natick section of the Town be given immediate attention and that at the coming Town Meeting steps be taken to provide housing for apparatus and men to service this growing section of the Town.

The Fire Prevention program has continued very effectively during the year; which may be a contributing factor to our low fire loss. Industries, merchants and Town Departments have been most cooperative in abating conditions which may have been referred to them by the Fire Inspector.

The home owners adhered very willingly to the regulations published controlling fires in the open. During the Christmas holidays approximately nine hundred trees were treated to make them fire resistant. This appears to be a very worthwhile endeavor and will be continued in future years.

The apparatus of the Department is maintained in a good workable condition. At the present time all apparatus is radio equipped which adds greatly to the efficient operation of the Department.

It is recommended that this year an additional 750 gal. pumper be added to the Department. Two of our major pieces of apparatus become 15 years old this year; the Ladder Truck which was purchased in 1942 was rebuilt and completely overhauled two years ago, the Pumper, also purchased in 1942, must be taken out of service next year and completely rebuilt and repainted and should then serve the Town for another ten years.

The truck which was purchased by your vote of 1956 was put in service in October at Station 4, West Natick. While it was a low cost unit, it will provide a valuable service during forest fire season and during the winter months, with its four-wheel drive feature, may reach points otherwise not accessible due to snow conditions. This truck has additional equipment for truck fires or accidents requiring rescue operations.

The Fire Alarm system has been expanded during the year with the addition of 10 Fire Alarm boxes installed at various locations throughout the Town. The expansion program, while it has not kept pace with the growth of the Town, has provided Fire Alarm service in most areas of the Town. Underground cable was installed on Worcester Street, west of North Main Street to Bacon Street. This completes the underground construction





**... AND AWAY WE GO!** Members of the Natick Fire Department Rescue Squad demonstrate their skill.



**ANY ALARMING SITUATION** now well in hand with the addition of the new West Natick Fire Station.

so far as ducts are available with the exception of West Central Street, which will be requested in the 1958 Annual Town Warrant.

The Signal Division of the Fire Department made the initial installation of a Police Signal system, with headquarters and five signal stations of which two are located on the Worcester Turnpike with Citizens keys. This system should be expanded yearly with the installation of four or five boxes to a probable fifty box system.

In concluding my report, I wish to express my sincere thanks for the co-operation I have received from the Townspeople, Town Departments, the personnel of my Department, local industries and members of the Government installations within the Town.

<i>Year</i>	<i>Value of Property Involved by Fire</i>	<i>Amount Damaged by Fire</i>
1954	\$ 864,900.00	\$150,173.86
1955	\$4,232,122.00	81,675.22
1956	219,175.00	74,726.11

LYMAN G. BROWN, *Chief*

# Department of Public Works

To the Board of Selectmen and Citizens:

<i>Year</i>	<i>Employees</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>
1954	58	\$441,243.50	\$406,488.53
1955	58	537,126.56	477,707.63
1956	74	618,165.39	577,123.18

IN SUBMITTING THE THIRTY-SIXTH REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC Works your attention is called to the fact that the great majority of our recommendations made in the annual report for the year 1955 were voted at the Annual Town Meeting of 1956. Many construction projects voted have been completed during the past year and those which were not will be completed in the late Spring of 1957 as outlined in the various Division reports following.

Mr. Walter F. Burdick, Director of the Department, resigned in May of 1956. The Department functioned without a Director until October of 1956.

Mr. Ralph I. Larson of 33 Longfellow Road, East Natick, was appointed Director of Public Works on October 1, 1956 by the Board. Mr. Larson has the necessary qualifications and experience to give the people of Natick a highly efficient Department and many compliments have been received by the Board since his arrival on the increased efficiency of the Department and its more modern methods of operation.

Mr. Jerry T. Torti resigned from the Board in October of 1956 after many long years of faithful service to the Town as a Commissioner of Public Works. Mr. James Robertson, former Water and Sewer Division Foreman of the Department, was appointed to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Torti. Mr. Robertson will be a great asset to the Town in this capacity since he has had many years of experience in Public Works and fully understands the problems of the Department and the citizens of Natick.

Mr. Frank Webber also resigned from the Board on December 31, 1956 after faithfully serving the Town as a Commissioner of Public Works for nearly nine years. Mr. Webber resigned in the interest of his health and we wish at this time to extend to him in behalf of the entire Department best wishes for many years of continued health.

Mr. John F. Burke, Operator of the Sewer Pumping Station, reached his compulsory retirement age of seventy and on October 31, 1956 was retired by the Department. Mr. Burke served in the Department for thirty-eight long and faithful years. We extend to him our best wishes for many years of health and happiness in his retirement.

You will note in the Budget requests for the various Divisions for the year 1957 a sizeable increase was expended by the Department for hired equipment. This matter has been given a great deal of study by the Board and it is deemed necessary to obtain additional town owned equipment to maintain efficiency on all Department operations at less cost. Also a con-



siderable number of items of equipment on hand are now obsolete and must be replaced with new equipment.

Annually the responsibility of the Department has been increasing due to the growth of the Town for each Division on both maintenance and construction operations. Many of the town's streets are now too narrow since they were designed and accepted by the Town between the years of 1860 and 1900. Many of these streets were never developed to their full width and now must be under a Long Range Planning Program. This work will extend over a period of years and the most economical way to complete this work is with equipment owned by the Town. The necessary equipment to provide adequate means to complete this highway work can also be used to complete extensive work required on the Water and Sewer Systems. The newly adopted Long Range Plan covers the town's street system, water system, and sewer system. Sections of this work which are to be undertaken during 1957 on each of the previously mentioned systems are outlined in our recommendations under the various Division reports following.

The Administration Section and the Engineering Division have both been enlarged. The present office area in the Public Works Building has been completely renovated to provide adequate facilities and space for the employees and records.

Extensive renovations have absolutely got to be completed at other Department installations such as the Water Pumping Station and the Sewer Pumping Station as soon as possible. These two installations are vital to the town and are at present in very poor condition. Upon completion of

**FAR, FAR INTO THE NIGHT . . .** Public Works Department snow removal crews work, clearing the way for the day to come.



the required renovations both of these buildings will be used for storage of material, equipment, and much emergency standby equipment to be used, after being obtained from Government Surplus, for the protection of both Systems.

The following is a complete report of the work completed by the Divisions of the Department during the past year:—

### Highway Division

During the current year the Highway Division oiled many sections of streets, cleaned, repaired and flushed the drainage system, and repaired many sections of fences and retaining walls along the public ways of the town. Several streets that are subjected to heavy vehicular traffic throughout the year were surface treated with Penetration Asphalt and Oiled Peastone.

Madison Street and a section of Birch Road were constructed under Chapter 82 and 80 of the General Laws, as amended. Upon their completion these roadways were accepted as public ways of the Town of Natick.

New drains were laid during the year and connected to the Town System on the following streets:—

South Main Street	Pond Street
Marion Street	Birch Road
Glen Street	Woodland Street
Glenwood Street	Madison Street
Speen Street	Everett Street

New sidewalks and curbing were constructed during the year on the following roadways under Chapter 82 and 80 of the General Laws, as amended:—

Pine Street	Archer Drive
Wellesley Road	Webster Street
Bacon Street	Madison Street
Willow Street	Marshall Road
Robinhood Road	

A new sidewalk was also constructed for a distance of 1120 feet at the request of the School Department on Boden Lane in connection with the new Cole School. Funds for the construction costs were provided by the School Department.

Sections of the Boston and Albany bridges were replanked at Walnut Street, Mill Street, Boden Lane, and Marion Street. Several of the bridges were resurfaced with Type I Bituminous Concrete.

The Highway Division supervised and inspected all drainage in roadways constructed by the developers throughout the town. These drains are all connected to the Town System and in all there were approximately 1100 feet of drainage laid and twelve catch basins and manholes constructed.

Under the provisions of Section 6E of Chapter 40 of the General Laws as inserted by Chapter 538 of the Acts of 1950 temporary minor repairs

were made on several private ways in the town. Receipts from this work amounted to \$704.50. Private ways on which temporary minor repairs were made were as follows:—

Magnolia Road  
Hartford Circle  
Howe Street  
Edwards Road  
Brigham Court

Cypress Road  
Browning Road  
Parkview Street  
Vesta Road

The contract signed with the New England Survey Services, Inc., of Boston, Massachusetts, for the Block Map System of the Town of Natick is now complete. The contractor has furnished the complete set of maps including linen tracings and indexes. The system is now in use and will be a valuable asset to the Town.

A section of West Central Street extending from Main Street to Cemetery Street was resurfaced with Penetration Asphalt and Oiled Pea-stone, and a section of South Main Street from the Sherborn Town Line northerly approximately 400 feet was also completed, both being completed as Chapter 90 Maintenance Projects. The work when completed was approved by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Public Works, and both the State and County paid the town their one-third share of the cost of the work completed.

A section of South Main Street was reconstructed from Walcott Square southerly to the end of the work completed during 1955 under Chapter 90 Construction. The entire reconstructed section extending from Walcott Square to Cottage Street was then resurfaced with Type I Bituminous Concrete. The work when completed was approved by the Massachusetts Department of Public Works and the State and County both reimbursed the town for their respective shares of the cost for construction.

A section of Speen Street extending from Hartford Street northerly to Route 9 was to be widened and curbed by the Department at an estimated cost of \$5,000.00. This was given careful consideration and study by the Board and it was felt that this section of roadway should be reconstructed and a cost of \$20,000.00 was estimated for the required work. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Public Works, was then petitioned by the Board to consider reconstruction of this section of roadway under Chapter 90. The petition was honored and the roadway was constructed at a cost of slightly less than \$20,000.00. Upon completion the work was approved and the town was reimbursed by the State and County for their respective shares of the construction costs.

The major repair work authorized by the Flood Relief Board on Glen Street, Glenwood Street, South Main Street, and Bennett Street was completed during the current year. The work consisted of the installation of larger drain pipe and the rebuilding of stone culverts and manholes. To date the Town has been reimbursed by the Flood Relief Board in an amount of \$9,758.99 and one other claim is pending approval for payment.

It is recommended that a sum of money be appropriated:—

1. To reconstruct Speen Street from Worcester Street northerly to the



Framingham Town Line under the provisions of Chapter 90 of the General Laws, one half the cost to be borne by the State and one quarter of the cost to be borne by the County and Town each.

It is the opinion of the Board of Public Works that this improvement in the roadway system of the Town of Natick is absolutely necessary due to the fact that this section of Speen Street is a heavily traveled roadway and with the completion of the new East-West Toll Road the rate of travel will be increased. This section of roadway is now in poor condition and far too narrow within the limits of the traveled way for the present and anticipated traffic volume.

About July of 1957 the Town will have completed its connections to the M.D.C. Sewer Trunk Line and the present Disposal Plant located off this section of Speen Street will be demolished and the land will be made available as an industrial site. This means that the entire length of Speen Street from Worcester Street to the Framingham Town Line on both sides of the street will contain land that is available for development as industrial sites. When developed, and it certainly will be in the not too distant future, this section of Speen Street will be handling far more traffic volume than it currently is and the traffic will be of a far heavier nature. It is the belief of the Board of Public Works that in order to secure large industrial plants in the town for tax burden relief that a modern heavy duty roadway will be a great asset in securing same for the residents of the Town.

2. To reconstruct Hartford Street from Speen Street northeasterly to Worcester Street under the provisions of Chapter 90 of the General Laws, one half the cost to be borne by the State and one quarter of the cost to be borne by the County and Town each.

This section of Hartford Street is in poor condition and far too narrow within the limits of the traveled way. It is the only section of the street that has not within recent years been reconstructed and widened. Construction of this roadway will greatly eliminate a lot of the congestion at the Worcester Street - Speen Street intersection.

3. To reconstruct Mill Street from Hartford Street southerly to the approaches to the Boston and Albany Railroad bridge.

Under Chapter 718 of the Acts of 1956 the Town of Natick was awarded \$50,737.93 for improvements to its street system and it is recommended that this total sum be voted for the development and improvement of Mill Street as the first step in the Long Range Planning Program for improvements to the Highway System.

4. To construct additional Garage facilities for the Department of Public Works to be located on Middlesex Avenue adjacent to the present Administration Building.

Currently sufficient garage space is not available and several valuable items of equipment must be parked out of doors during the entire year. During the winter months much time is lost in attempting to start this equipment and since the equipment is subjected at all times to the weather the maintenance cost for equipment is way out of proportion. In addition to

these facts additional equipment is required for the general use of the various Divisions of the Department. In the event this and other equipment is not properly garaged the maintenance costs will continue to rise and the equipment will also be subjected to damage and theft of valuable parts by persons interested in personal gain at the expense of the taxpayers.

5. To purchase the following items of equipment for the Highway Division: —

- a. Two New Trucks complete with equipment.
- b. Two Sidewalk Tractors.
- c. One Powered Drainage System Cleaner.
- d. One Motorized Scavenger.
- e. Two Automatic Sanders.
- f. One Front End Loader.
- g. One 1½ to 2½ ton Roller and Towing Attachment.
- h. Two-Way Radio Equipment.

It is the opinion of the Board of Public Works that the previously listed items of equipment are absolutely necessary in order to operate the Department at a higher degree of efficiency. If provided this equipment many dollars will be saved the town in material, equipment, and labor costs and will enable the Department to greatly increase its efficiency in Public Service, Snow Removal Operations, General Maintenance Operations, and Construction Operations.

Several items of this equipment will be used to replace items now in use that are obsolete and for which replacement parts cannot be obtained. Due to the age of this equipment too much "down time" results when this equipment is put to use and maintenance costs are far too high. New equipment that should be purchased in replacement for this equipment would lower both items and within a period of a few years sufficient funds will have been saved to cover the cost of the original investment.

6. To purchase a new Portable Stone Crusher for the manufacture of Peastone for the surface treatment of the streets of the town with an armor coat of Penetration Asphalt and Peastone. This method of surface treatment results in a far greater wearing surface of a more permanent nature and results in far less general maintenance cost.

7. To Relocate and Repair the present Gravel Plant located in the Town Gravel Pit on Oak Street.

This Plant is from a cost standpoint one of the greatest assets of the Town of Natick. Presently the Plant is in need of major repairs and should be located at a point further east of Oak Street and to the rear of the Pit Area.

### Sanitation Division

During the past year there were approximately 5,300 cubic yards of garbage collected in the town. Receipts from the sale of garbage collected during the year amounted to \$4,744.53.

A distinct increase in the amount of garbage and also of household rubbish has been noted during the past year which signifies the continual growth of the town. In order to meet the bi-monthly schedule for rubbish collection it has been necessary to operate both collection units — the second on a near full time basis during the Winter months.

### Water Division

During the past year this Division added approximately 7,500 feet of new cast iron water main to the System and 170 new services were installed.

New six (6) inch water mains were laid on Birch Road, Madison Street, Bacon Street, Belmore Road, Craigie Street, Zoar Street, Emerson Street, Lookout Avenue, Rockland Street, Jackson Street, and Centre Street.

A section of new eight (8) inch cast iron water main was laid on Walnut Street and sixteen (16) inch cast iron pipe was laid from Bacon Street to connect with the new well currently under construction off Bacon Street.

Approximately 2100 feet of new ten (10) inch cast iron water main was laid on Bacon Street to replace pipe of a smaller size. This section of main was designed to carry water from the new well located off Bacon Street into the east section of the town along Oak Street.

The new well located on town land located on the north side of Bacon Street has been driven and tested. Bids will be advertised for the construction of the well house and installation of the pumping equipment in late January of 1957. It is expected that this project will be completed in the early Summer and that the new well will be in operation for the warm season.

In all probability the Department will have to construct one or more new wells within the next year or two in the event industrial sites are developed. At present a study is being made to locate one or more well sites.

In connection with a survey completed during the year 1955 funds were voted at the Annual Town Meeting of 1956 to install booster pumping stations at certain locations in the town. It was later found upon further investigation that a more practical method from a maintenance and operation standpoint could accomplish the same by enlarging certain feed lines to maintain proper volume and pressure. A preliminary study is now being made on this matter and it is recommended that a sum of money be appropriated at the 1957 Annual Town Meeting to permit the Board to have a comprehensive study made of the Water System. This study when completed will include all land in the Town of Natick and funds can be obtained from the Government to further the study upon appropriation of the initial request at a Town Meeting.

Upon completion of this study the reports and specifications will then be included in the Long Range Planning Program of the Department for the improvement of the Water System.

It is recommended that a sum of money be appropriated for the following:—

1. To purchase the following items of equipment for the Water Division to increase work output and efficiency:—

- a. One Portable Compressor.
- b. One Gradall Complete.
- c. One Portable Welding Unit complete with thawing equipment.
- d. One New Three-Ton Truck.
- e. One New Pickup Truck complete with tool boxes.
- f. Two-Way Radio Equipment.
- g. Emergency Standby Equipment for installation at the Water Pumping Stations.

The Water Division has greatly expanded during the past few years due to the constant growth of the Town. Service requests have greatly increased due to this growth and in order to be able to provide the required service it is absolutely necessary that these items of equipment be provided. During the past few years a considerable sum has been spent for equipment rentals in order to complete required work during each year. These costs can be eliminated with the purchase of necessary equipment to increase the output of the Division. This equipment is absolutely necessary to permit the Division to operate efficiently.

At present there is no standby equipment which can be put to use in the event of equipment breakdowns or emergency. Equipment of this type must be purchased and installed as soon as possible in the interest of safety and health. Much of this equipment may be obtained from Government Surplus through our local Civil Defense Agency.

2. To enlarge certain water lines within the Town of Natick which are at present too small to provide adequate pressure and volume.

In connection with the Long Range Plan of the Department the Board recommends that a sum of money be appropriated to permit the Department to replace the existing water lines with pipe of a larger size on Walnut Street, Farwell Street, Rockland Street, Worcester Street, and Oak Street.

### **Sewer Division**

All sewer lines were flushed during the past year and there has been little leakage during the year in the System.

The Chlorinators were in operation during the entire year at the Disposal Plant Area and during the warm weather at the Sewer Pumping Station.

Several short sewer main extensions were completed by the Sewer Division during the year and the sewer main was extended to provide service on Madison Street.

The Sewer Division completed its work on the installation of service connections at the Wellesley-at-Natick Area on East Central Street. New connections were also installed on Marion Street, Bacon Street, and throughout the Bay State Homes Development located on the northerly side of



Bacon Street. All work is now complete on both of these projects with the exception of grading work and street repairs in the Bay State Homes Area.

The Sewer Pumping Station constructed on Industrial Park Road was completed during the current year and was placed in full service in April of 1956.

The first connection to the M.D.C. Sewer System was completed by the Sewer Division on December 27, 1956. Additional connections will be made as soon as weather permits and it is expected that the entire Natick System will be connected to the M.D.C. System about July 1, 1957.

As soon as this work is completed the present Disposal Plant located on Speen Street can be demolished and much valuable material can be removed for salvage.

The Board of Public Works recommends that a sum of money be appropriated for the completion of a comprehensive engineering study of the entire Town of Natick with respect to sewers. This study when completed will be complete in engineering details, specifications, and cost estimated, for the extension of the Sewer System into all areas of the Town not now serviced. When received this study will be used as a Long Range Planning Program for the extension of the Town System. We do not recommend that any large expenditure of funds be made for the extension of the sewer system into any unserved area at this time and not until the required survey is completed.

At present the Board has one petition on file for sewer service in the Natick Farms Area of West Natick. This petition has been tabled by the Board in the interest of the residents of the area and the town in general with respect to cost. It is planned that since this petition was the first filed that this area be the first considered for sewer service on the Block System when adopted under the Long Range Planning Program.

THOMAS L. HUDDY

JAMES ROBERTSON

*Board of Public Works*

## *Tree and Moth Department*

THE DEPARTMENT REPORTS THE PLANTING OF 250 MAPLES THE PAST YEAR. Most of these going in the new developments.

The Gypsy Moth condition is excellent, and we have hopes it will stay that way.

Dutch Elm Disease appeared in a large number of our trees after last year's drought. We are afraid of a large loss this coming year in our Elms.

P. ARTHUR WHALEN, *Tree Warden*

## *School Committee*

THE REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING, AMPLY covers school enrollment, facilities, costs and what we must face in the immediate future, if we are to continue to give our children the best possible educational opportunities. Our report will mention the highlights of school committee action during 1956.

Early in the year the school board reiterated its stand relative to kindergarten and its unquestionable value in getting the child started on the right path. The urgent need for a full study of future school building needs resulted in the organization of a Citizens Advisory Committee, in February, to assist the school committee. This special committee was terminated when the town meeting voted to have a moderator-appointed survey committee formed. However, before dissolution, this special committee did bring in a recommendation for future sites and buildings. The school committee wishes to thank those who served on this advisory committee. As a result of their study, the school committee has asked the town to erect 8-room additions at both the Lincoln and Lilja schools, to be ready, if possible, for the opening of school in September, 1957.

The question of adjusting teachers' and administrators' salaries was this year of paramount concern. A study of this problem began in May and reached fruition in December. Salary schedule adjustments were approved for all teaching and supervising people in the school system. This was based on extensive research, using formulas regarded as basically sound and realistic. Next September, 1957, teachers with a bachelor's degree will start at \$3,500 a year, and go to \$5,500 a year, in ten years, with annual increments of \$200. Teachers with a master's degree will start at \$3,700 and go to \$5,800, in an eleven year period, with increments of \$200 annually. Teachers who have earned credits of thirty hours beyond the master's degree will start at \$3,900 and go to \$6,000, in eleven years, with increments of \$200 yearly. This means, then, that a teacher in the Natick school system now has the opportunity of going from a starting salary of \$3,500 to a maximum salary of \$6,000, through professional improvement. A \$6,400 maximum may be realized by a teacher who obtains an approved doctorate degree. Realistic adjustments were made in the salaries of department heads, of principals and vice-principals on the secondary level, and also of supervising principals on the elementary level. In some instances, adjusting from the \$150 to the \$200 yearly increment means a substantial change in some salaries. For this reason, the school committee has allowed a period of two years for the complete adjustment. We do feel that with this adjustment the superintendent will be in a much better position to attract new teachers to our schools.

There was considerable discussion during the period between May and December regarding a merit system of pay for teachers, and how to administer such a program. It is recognized that it is difficult to carry out such a program. Nevertheless, some members of the committee felt that, beyond a certain top level, arrived at through increments, there should be a salary recognition based on superior performance. This thought still



**GUARDIANS OF THE "THREE R's"** — the Natick School Committee. Standing (left to right): Thomas F. McGrath, Robert H. Anderson, Superintendent of Schools E. Davis Woodbury, Arthur E. Taddeo. Seated (left to right): Leland G. Hollingworth, Chairman Allan S. Ross, Wendell O. Poley.

remains with some members who hope that in a subsequent year such allowance may be put into effect.

A new procedure of inspecting the improvements and repairs to school property was followed this year. In September, representatives of the Board of Selectmen, the Finance Committee, the *Natick Herald* and *Bulletin*, the president of the P.T.A. Council, and others were invited on a tour of school buildings. In prior years it was customary to have only the sub-committee of the finance board as guests.

On recommendation of the superintendent of schools, the school committee voted to approve on an experimental basis the internship programs of Northeastern University and Harvard University. During the year we have had four interns in our system. The programs have worked out well and they will be continued next year.

In November, the school committee invited the Finance Board to meet in joint session for a discussion of the problems associated with the financial aspects of the school budget for 1957. Five specific areas were covered.

1. The adjustment of salaries to a more realistic level.
2. The need to spend approximately three times the usual amount



for new textbooks, so that all outdated and worn-out books can be replaced with new ones.

3. The need to increase the allowance for conventions, meetings and dues, so that more teachers and administrators may participate in the exchange of educational ideas with others, outside our own school system.
4. The need for additional financial help in the category of physical education, which is inclusive of athletics.
5. The need for more classroom space, since public school enrollment in our community will be increasing approximately four hundred pupils per year for an indefinite period.

At this meeting, the powers and duties of the school committee as they relate to the finance committee and the townspeople were discussed to some extent. Both committees seemed to realize the necessity of continued cooperation in order to maintain a sound, progressive educational program for the children of Natick.

The school committee has voted to continue its support of the Framingham Youth Guidance Center, to the extent of \$2,000 for 1957.

Miss Blanche McCordick, who started her teaching career in the Natick School Department in 1922, and for years did an outstanding task in handling a special class, passed away on August 12, 1956. We wish to express our sorrow; we miss her untiring efforts in helping handicapped children.

By a unanimous vote, the school day teachers' hours have been changed, primarily for the purpose of pupil-parent help and conference, effective as of September, 1957.

1. All teachers shall be on duty one half hour before the scheduled starting time of school.
2. Teachers on the secondary level, including grades 7-12, are to remain one hour daily after the closing of school, with the exception of Friday and the day before any holiday, or predetermined special day.
3. Teachers in the elementary schools are to remain three-quarters of an hour after school daily as above for a similar purpose.

Upon recommendation of the School Survey Committee, it has been voted to ask the town to acquire sites of land on Woodland Street, at Rockland and Everett Streets, at Bacon and Walnut Streets, and that land south of Memorial Field, on both sides of West Street. Also to take the land adjacent to the present Eliot School site. Again on recommendation of the school survey committee, we are asking for a new 13-room school with all-purpose room to be erected at the Winter-Oak site that was acquired this past year, and a school with an all-purpose room to be erected adjacent to the West School.

The 1956 school budget amounted to \$1,583,963. The proposed school

budget for 1957 will approximate \$1,873,000, a difference of approximately \$300,000. This increase is due to greater operating costs, salary adjustments and a larger personnel to handle the ever increasing school enrollment.

ALLAN S. ROSS, *Chairman*  
LELAND G. HOLLINGWORTH  
THOMAS F. McGRATH

WENDELL O. POLEY  
ARTHUR E. TADDEO, M.D.  
ROBERT H. ANDERSON

## *Superintendent of Schools*

To the School Committee and Citizens of Natick:

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION, SUBMITTED AS MY ANNUAL REPORT for the year 1956, is presented for your consideration.

### **Introduction**

The question as to what a superintendent of schools should include in an annual report is always one of sincere concern. There are so many areas and phases of the all-inclusive educational program that it is extremely difficult within the limitations of an annual report to choose those subjects most significant and interesting. However, you will find here facts pertaining to the progress of pupils and school facilities of interest to you as parents and citizens of this community.

### **Enrollment — School Facilities**

Pupil enrollment as predicted has continued to increase. The opening of school in September resulted in an enrollment increase of some 400 pupils as compared to the enrollment of a year ago. Fortunately, the school system was again prepared to care for this increase. Although the great majority of pupils were accommodated in regular classrooms, it was necessary because of crowded conditions in schools in some sections of the community to transfer and to transport pupils to available facilities in other parts of the town.

The true picture of school facilities on the elementary level shows the continued use of a number of rooms not originally designed for classroom use. However, with the exception of the auditorium-gymnasium or all-purpose rooms that are being used to house some elementary classes, the opinion of your superintendent is that the renovated so-called basement rooms and small activity rooms are reasonably adequate to carry on a sound educational program, bearing in mind that school buildings, planning, and future construction will soon care for this temporary adjustment. Additional elementary classrooms and related facilities must continue to be approved and constructed.

It is pleasing to report that by making use of practically every available elementary space this past year, the size of classes on the elementary level (with the exception of a few) are educationally acceptable, 121 of 141

classes containing 35 pupils or less. Additional helping teachers were employed to assist with classes that were excessive in numbers.

The school facilities picture is not so acceptable on the junior high school level. A number of years ago it became necessary to convert the cafeteria into two classrooms. This past year a coal bin was converted into a small classroom and a storage room. In 1954, when the new high school building was opened, the ninth grade was transferred to this new unit. The junior high school building for the past two and a half years has cared for seventh and eighth grades under extremely crowded conditions. This building, constructed in 1927 to house approximately 650 pupils, now houses 834 pupils. If we are to continue toward our goal of area elementary schools consisting of kindergarten through the sixth grade, a junior high school division of grades 7 through 9, and a senior high school of grades 10 through 12, then new junior high school classrooms and/or buildings must be approved and constructed in the not too distant future.

Enrollment conditions and school facilities on the four-year high school level are very satisfactory and should continue at least until the school year 1959-1960. Much depends on the availability of other classroom space and future school building procedure. Should classrooms become available on the junior high school level making it possible to remove the ninth grade unit from the high school building, pupils of the upper three grades, namely grades 10, 11, and 12, could be accommodated reasonably

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well until the school year 1962-1963. However, an addition to this building of at least six or seven hundred pupil spaces should be available no later than 1963 to care for an enrollment in these upper three grades which will practically double itself within the next eight to ten years.

It is well to note that within the near future elementary school enrollment in the town of Natick undoubtedly will reach over 5000 pupils, grades 7, 8, and 9 will approximate 2200 pupils and grades 10, 11, and 12 on the senior high school level will likewise reach an estimated 2100 or 2200 pupils. Pupil drop-outs today are relatively insignificant. Should the community again have an extensive building boom as has been predicted for the late 1960's and early 1970's, school accommodations may again prove to be inadequate. Continuous annual planning and study is essential.

May I suggest your attention to the report of the School Survey Committee which may be found in the 1956 volume of Natick Town Reports.

### **The Elementary School**

Basic or tool subjects are as much of concern today as they were many years ago. The elementary division of our public school system may be said to be divided into seven parts. The kindergarten, presently consisting of 25 units with enrollments varying up to 42 pupils, is that part of our educational program that provides for the transition of children from the home into school life. Here children learn to adjust themselves socially with other children, work and play become a cooperative effort, and the realization of responsibility becomes evident. There is no doubt as to the importance of kindergarten in a well-rounded educational program.

Grades one through six may be termed "stepping stones" toward the secondary educational level. During these years of growth the step by step acquisition of the fundamental processes for each individual takes place with the objective of success to the limit of a pupil's ability and capacity. Elementary education is inclusive of reading, writing, arithmetic, social studies, and science. Emphasis is given also to physical education, health, safety, and the cultural subjects, art and music. However, the total development of the individual child is more important than subject matter which in reality is used as a means to continuous effective learning. We are cognizant of the relationship and need of good work habits.

### **The Junior High School**

The junior high school came into existence in this country more than forty years ago and in our community about thirty years ago. There has never been complete agreement on the type of school organization that will best serve the needs of youth and accomplish the accepted objectives. With the establishment of the junior high school as a separate public school unit and yet as a connecting link with the lower and higher divisions of the educational program, there was hope that many persistent problems might be solved. Some of these problems that existed at that time concerned the number of pupils who dropped out of school at the end of the sixth or eighth year, the difficulty that pupils experienced in adjusting from the security of the elementary school to the huge high school unit.

and the evident inability of the elementary school to care adequately for the size, growth, and gradual maturity of children of adolescent years. Another reason seldom mentioned that brought about the establishment of a junior high school unit was that of the need for additional classrooms because of extensive enrollment increases during the early 1900's.

Generally speaking, the functions and purposes of the junior high school have not changed over this period of years, and even though some major problems seemed to have been solved, many similar problems still exist. The basic educational principles on the junior high school level are briefly as follows:

1. Integration — a three-year program within which fundamental concepts may be established, habits of thought and action may be developed, and attention may be centered on personality adjustment and mental health.
2. Exploration — a program of new activity experiences, new subject areas, and a better understanding of potential interests and abilities.
3. Guidance — a process by which assistance is given the individual pupil to help him solve problems, meet needs, or make adjustments.
4. Differentiation — the accomplishment by group and individual work of tasks that make use of the capacities and potentialities of the pupil.
5. Socialization — experiences that help broaden the scope of individual activities and assist pupils in learning how to relate satisfactorily themselves to others. Democratic living is an objective of the modern junior high school.
6. Articulation — the growth or progress of pupils in making adjustments.

Such objectives and purposes are foremost in the minds of your administrators and teachers. However, at present, a junior high school as such, i.e., grades 7 through 9, does not exist in our community. One interpretation of our system would define our educational program as consisting of 12 elementary schools, now 13 with the Cole School, and a high school. In spite of extremely crowded conditions those pupils of grades 7 and 8 housed in the junior high building are receiving a very good education — one keyed to those years of adolescent youth — with the help and understanding of teachers and administrators. Nevertheless, additional junior high school facilities must receive our attention.

### **The High School**

This school, one of the most modern in the country, has fulfilled all expectations as far as housing an adequate program of secondary education is concerned. The physical aspects of the plant inclusive of buildings and grounds certainly speak for themselves. The spacious auditorium with adequate stage facilities, the gymnasium, the cafeteria, special meeting rooms, athletic and recreational areas have been available and have been used extensively by community, state, and national organizations. It is an



**NATICK HIGH SCHOOL EXCHANGE STUDENTS** preparing to embark on an exciting journey taking them into the homes and schools of Wheat Ridge, Colorado.

educational unit of which we all are very proud and one which is continually receiving national recognition.

The educational program, on this level, offered to the young people of Natick is extensive. Subject matter fields made permissible by law are offered; in fact, it may be said that each subject and co-curricula activity are available to all pupils. However, the actual path followed by a pupil throughout his high school career depends on his capacity, ability, need, his interest, and his willingness to accomplish the task.

The guidance program, staffed by full-time and part-time, well qualified, experienced, understanding, and interested teachers, is continuing to do excellent work with pupils in helping them to chart their course not only through high school but in a future field of work or higher education after graduation.

With reference to the high school curriculum I refer you to the booklet titled *PROGRAM OF STUDIES* which is available at our school offices. It is well to mention that not only are the so-called basic or constant subject matter fields such as English, mathematics, science, social studies, and foreign languages offered, but that extensive programs in the field of business, industrial arts, homemaking, physical education, art and music are



available. Participation in many co-curricula subjects known as clubs, musical and art organizations, athletics and numerous other activities during and after regular school hours is possible.

The school program of each pupil is an individual matter. Cooperative effort on the part of the pupil, the home, and the school is essential.

### The Product

We, teachers, administrators, and others of the staff of the Public Schools, have been proud of those young men and women who, having successfully completed certain educational requirements, have received a high school diploma. The following information compiled by the Guidance Department this year gives a rather complete summation of the activities of the members of the Class of 1956:

#### SUMMARY OF THOSE ATTENDING SCHOOL OF THE CLASS OF 1956

	<i>Number</i>	<i>Per Cent</i>
Four-year degree-granting colleges .....	65	29.7
Junior colleges and business schools .....	19	8.7
Preparatory schools .....	12	5.5
Schools of Nursing (Non-degree) .....	9	4.1
All other schools (technical, art, beauty culture, etc.) .....	9	4.1
	114	52.2

#### SUMMARY OF OCCUPATIONS OF THE CLASS OF 1956

<i>Employed:</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Per Cent</i>
In offices .....	30	13.8
In retail trade .....	20	9.2
In construction and maintenance .....	8	3.7
In industry .....	12	5.5
In transportation and communications .....	5	2.3
In miscellaneous work .....	1	0.4
At home .....	1	0.4
Members of Armed Services .....	17	7.8
Married .....	4	1.8
Deceased .....	1	0.4
Unknown .....	5	2.3
	104	47.6

#### SOME SCHOOLS WHERE MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 1956 ARE ENROLLED

Abilene Christian College	Colgate University
Alexian Brothers School of Nursing	Endicott Junior College
Barry College	Fisher Junior College
Bates College	Fitchburg State Teachers' College
Bentley School of Accounting and Finance	Framingham State Teachers' College
Boston College	Framingham Union Hospital
Boston Conservatory of Music	Katharine Gibbs School
Boston University	Marymount College
Bowdoin College	Massachusetts Maritime Academy
Bridgewater State Teachers' College	New England College of Pharmacy
Brown University	Newton-Wellesley Hospital
Centre College of Kentucky	Northeastern University
Chandler School for Women	Northwestern University
Cheshire Academy	Norwich University
Clark University	Ottawa College
	Regis College

Rhode Island Hospital  
 School of Practical Arts  
 School of Museum of Fine Arts  
 Simmons College  
 Springfield College  
 Syracuse University  
 Tufts University  
 United States Military Academy  
 University of Colorado

University of Denver  
 University of Florida  
 University of Massachusetts  
 University of New Hampshire  
 University of Vermont  
 Vermont Junior College  
 West Virginia Wesleyan  
 Wentworth Institute

### Cost of Education

The Annual Town Meeting in March appropriated \$1,562,123.00 to run the public schools for the year 1956. Necessary financial transfers during the year, because of the lack of appropriate funds for fuel, light and power, and transportation, increased this amount to \$1,583,963.00. At this writing it appears that a substantial amount as an unexpended balance of the school budget will be returned to the town treasury. An accurate and detailed account of the school appropriation, transfers, and expenditures may be found in the Report of the Finance Committee and in the official document titled NATICK TOWN REPORTS 1956. Excluding state and federal aid funds, the action by the citizens of the community in town meeting meant the approval of an average expenditure of approximately \$254.00 for educational purposes per pupil for the year. Presently there are over 6220 pupils enrolled in our public schools. Bearing in mind that over a quarter of a million dollars in governmental aid for education, other than school building aid, has been received by the Town this past year and that the unexpended funds of the Public School Budget amount to well over \$50,000.00, the local average cost of education is about \$204.00 per pupil per year, or slightly over \$1.13 per pupil per school day.

The cost of education per pupil includes such items as pupil supplies — paper, art supplies, pencils; transportation — according to local rules, regulations, and related laws; equipment — visual-auditory aids, business machines, maps, globes; salaries — teachers, administrators, clerks, custodians, nurses — all personnel; fuel, light, repair, and maintenance; textbooks and supplementary books, and all other items. (Refer to Budget of Public Schools — Town Reports.)

The following table, the result of the most recent information from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Education, indicates the position of the Town of Natick in relation to other communities.

#### APPROXIMATE COST PER PUPIL PER SCHOOL YEAR

Adams	\$168.35	Methuen	162.97
Belmont	293.87	Milford	177.53
Brookline	386.18	Milton	248.61
Clinton	\$222.73	Natick	204.50
Dedham	199.90	Needham	244.78
Framingham	221.23	Norwood	224.79
Greenfield	182.83	Wakefield	179.98
Hingham	225.40	Wellesley	285.82
Hudson	152.68	West Springfield	219.88
Lexington	193.94	Winchester	263.64
Maynard	173.90	Winthrop	235.20

## Community Communications

A number of years ago an extensive program of informing the citizens of Natick about their public schools was inaugurated. During this past year numerous additional means, methods, and instruments carrying information relative to the educational progress and opportunities of our school system were developed. The purpose of such an informatory program is to maintain continuing interest in public education, a division of government which is one of the most important functions of the state and community. The following list includes many such materials.

1. Elementary school publications.
2. Secondary school publications.
3. Parent-teacher-pupil conferences.
4. Publication of the annual school report.
5. Participation of staff members, teachers, and administrators in many community organizations.
6. "Open-door" policy of school visitation.
7. Directly informing parents of changes of policy or regulations.
8. Student participation in local, state, and national historical observances.
9. Open House program on all school levels.
10. Continued policy of open School Committee meetings.
11. Numerous newspaper releases on school programs, planning, and procedures.
12. Radio releases.
13. Specific booklets and papers that are issued annually include —
  1. Time Units
  2. Suggestions for Safety
  3. Points for Parents
  4. A Message To Parents "Weather — Whether Or Not"
  5. The Sassamon
  6. The Coolidge Leaflet
  7. Program of Studies

Under consideration at the present time is a program of regular releases of important and directly related educational features of the Public Schools and School Committee activities. These releases would be made through the local newspapers and/or periodic newsletters.

## 1957

September of the school year 1957-1958 will give evidence of the greatest school enrollment ever assembled in this community. Over 6,600 pupils will seek education with a very able staff and modern school facilities. During the past five years enrollment has increased 42%, during the past ten years enrollment has increased 140%, and the number of school personnel has increased proportionally. The implications are obvious. Of necessity there have been extensive changes and adjustments in



the curriculum, budgets, personnel, space, and procedures. There will continue to be numerous changes and adjustments in the best interests of our youth. The untiring effort of individual citizens, of the School Committee, of the School Survey Committee, and of other departments and organizations throughout the town has made possible the solution of many problems and, perhaps most important, the continued recognition of Natick as a leader in public school education.

There are many problems that must be solved in 1957, there are many decisions that must be made, there are different procedures that must be considered, and there are many matters that must be given serious thought. Some of these include:

1. Additional school personnel
2. The gifted child
3. Adult education
4. Summer school
5. Education beyond high school — junior college
6. Expansion of guidance services
7. Special education — speech, vision, and hearing
8. Additional classrooms and related facilities
9. Future school sites
10. Health and safety

### Conclusion

The past year has been one of accomplishment and satisfaction. It has been a year extremely strenuous for many members of our public school system and I realize, too, strenuous, thought-provoking, and time-consuming on the part of many civic minded persons, boards, and town departments.

We have been fortunate in obtaining and maintaining an excellent staff — outstanding teaching prevails in our classrooms; attention to many details associated with the safety and health of our children has been of concern; and the care of our buildings and grounds by persons interested in their work is gratifying.

Many organizations, departments, and people not associated with our schools have done much to develop an efficient operation and meaningful understanding. May I express my appreciation to the School Committee for its sincere concern and understanding of the many challenges and for their help with problems confronting public school education in our community and in our nation. No individual or one department may progress successfully alone. Ours is a common task.

E. DAVIS WOODBURY, *Superintendent of Schools*

# Morse Institute

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<i>Year</i>	<i>Employees</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>
1955	9	\$46,389.66	\$45,145.98
1956	10	52,075.00	49,774.44

1956 WAS A RECORD YEAR FOR THE CIRCULATION OF BOOKS AT THE MORSE Institute. 210,052 is the largest number of books circulated in the history of the library. It is most gratifying to note that there is still a definite increase in the number of books of non-fiction being read. Possibly the television programs today are filling the need for fiction material, so that people now are using the library more for books of business, science, "how-to-do-it" information, history, self improvement and biography. It is hoped that this trend will continue.

The major project this year has been the painting and refinishing of the Adult Department. The walls of the reading and reference rooms have been painted a soft light green, the woodwork and charging desk have been stripped and refinished with a flat varnish which makes them many shades lighter than before. The book stack area was made much brighter and cheerier by painting the walls and book stacks two shades of a rose pink. The whole effect is very attractive. Every book was removed from the shelves, then put back in place as soon as the shelves were ready. This tremendous task required a little more time than was at first anticipated; consequently the Adult Department was closed for three weeks.

In order to complete the work of renovating the Adult Department, a new lighting system should be installed, a new linoleum laid and at least some of the furniture replaced. This will be a big step toward modernizing the appearance of the building.

Almost 3500 books were added to the library during 1956. This includes both children's and adult books. There are now about 8500 registered borrowers. The goal should be for an even greater percentage of the 26,213 residents of Natick as regular borrowers.

The Children's Library has been kept busy with regularly scheduled classes from the Center School. Each class comes to the Children's Room periodically and is helped with the selection of books. These visits have proved invaluable in stimulating and encouraging good reading habits. Several kindergarten classes, one class from the Wayland Public Schools and a Brownie Troop visited the Children's Library. They were given a little talk on the library and were told a story.

More furniture is greatly needed in the Children's Room, as on busy days there is not enough seating space to accommodate all those wishing to make use of reference books to complete homework assignments. During

Book Week an exhibit of some of the new children's books was on display. As a special feature, Mrs. Alice B. Howard, Consultant, School Libraries and Library Work with Children and Young People for the Massachusetts Division of Library Extension, gave a stimulating talk on Children's Books and Reading. The program was not well attended and it is hoped that another year will bring a better response.

The present Bookmobile now gives library service to North Natick, East Natick, the four Pelhams and Sherwood for adults and children, also to the East, West, Lilja, Brown and Bennett-Hemenway schools for the school children. This does not by any means cover the Town of Natick. With a central building and no branches, a bookmobile is the most feasible and economical means of extending library service. If the Library is to continue to offer library service to all sections of the town, a second bookmobile is needed. Large areas such as Wethersfield and Westfield are not touched. At least three more schools should be added to the schedule. Plans are being made to ask for an appropriation for a second bookmobile in the coming year. In preparation for this, a separate collection of bookmobile books has been started.

In February, the Assistant Librarian and Cataloger, Mrs. Frances Frommherz, resigned to accept a position on the staff of the Booklist, a publication of the American Library Association. Mrs. Ann Rinehart, Bookmobile Assistant, was appointed to fill the vacancy. Mrs. Rinehart has been working for her degree in Library Science at Simmons College and has almost completed the requirements. In September, Mrs. Katharine Barnes

**FACT, FUN AND FANTASY** enjoyed by all ages at the Natick library — the Morse Institute.





was appointed to fill the vacancy created when Mrs. Rinehart was advanced to the position of Assistant Librarian and Cataloger. Mrs. Barnes is a graduate of Vassar College and has had experience at the Wayland Public Library. In April, Mrs. Ruth Powers was appointed to the position of Library Assistant, an additional position approved by the Personnel and Finance Boards. Mrs. Powers is a graduate of New Rochelle College and has had several years experience as a part-time assistant before being appointed to the full time position.

Book talks have been given by the Librarian and Assistant Children's Librarian and book exhibits were provided for several organizations. Reading lists on several subjects were compiled and mimeographed by staff members.

For the future, the Library should continue to modernize the present building to make it more attractive and useful for modern library service, providing a music room, a quiet room for the serious student, film services, a room for adult education programs with the necessary equipment, an adequate work space for all the technical processes required for preparing books for circulation. The possibilities of an addition to the present building should be studied for future expansion. The microfilming of the *Natick Bulletin* should be considered, especially for the preservation of the old issues. This would also mean providing a microfilm reader.

If enough interest is shown in the next year, the library will plan an adult education program. A survey will be made to determine where the fields of interest lie. The program could be a series of talks on a particular subject, a discussion group, a musical or a film program. This is a worthwhile project that is being carried out in many libraries today.

The Library is most grateful to the *Natick Bulletin* and the *Natick Herald* for the gift of their respective papers and for printing the library news. Many books and magazines have been given to the library this past year and the library wishes to thank the donors. Special thanks should also go to the American Legion Auxiliary for their many gifts of books in memory of members who have passed away.

The public library is a storehouse of knowledge. Use it and become acquainted with its services.

The Librarian is very grateful for the loyalty and cooperation of the staff and the understanding and support of the Trustees.

ELIZABETH H. PARTRIDGE, *Librarian*

## *Trustees of Morse Institute*

DURING THE YEAR 1956 A PART OF THE RENOVATIONS OF THE ADULT LIBRARY were undertaken and completed. The painting of the adult library has created a more pleasing and cheerful atmosphere. It is anticipated that, if further funds are provided by the Town at the annual Town meeting for 1957, a new tile floor will be installed to replace the present ancient and worn floor covering. New items of library equipment will be purchased to aid in making the library as efficient as the present structure will permit. It is anticipated further that in 1958 the Trustees will ask the Town to make an additional appropriation to aid in certain renovations in the basement so that the basement may be utilized efficiently.

During recent years, the Trustees have emphasized the necessity for an additional Bookmobile in order to render reasonable distribution service for areas that require such service, having regard to the growth of our community. The need for such service now is imperative and accordingly, we are asking the Town to appropriate money this year in order to purchase and equip a second Bookmobile. We trust that our recommendation in this regard will receive the approval of the Townspeople. A near-term projection of library needs indicates that additional library space should be provided. Such required space will entail an addition to the present library building. The Trustees have endeavored to undertake progressive annual steps to meet community needs without pressing for completion of all desirable projects within a single year. It is obvious that additional library space would involve a considerable capital outlay. The matter is mentioned by the Trustees at this time so that the Townspeople may anticipate that within two or three years an addition to the present library building will be recommended.

It is a matter of great satisfaction that the circulation of books continues to increase annually. The Trustees are very grateful to the Townspeople for their cooperation during the summer period when the interior painting of the adult library was progressing.

The Trustees are most appreciative of the fine work of the Librarian, Miss Elizabeth Partridge, and of all the library assistants. We regret deeply the recent serious illness of the Custodian, Mr. Albert Morris, and we wish to acknowledge the devoted work of Mr. Morris at the Library.

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## *Park Department*

ACCENT IS BEING MADE ON BEAUTIFYING OUR COMMON. WHEN THIS IS fully accomplished we shall concentrate on other areas. This is an important part of the success of any town, to its people and to its merchants. A tourist's or traveler's opinion of a town is determined by its parks, roads, and buildings.

The bulbs in the flower beds on the Common, Lincoln Square, Williams Park and South Natick have been renewed, and a greater array of tulips should be forthcoming this spring.

A considerable number of various ornamental flowering trees have been planted on the Common, in hopes that some day we shall have a botanical garden.

The old W.P.A. field in South Natick at Hunnewell Field is being reclaimed, which will give another Little League play area by late spring.

Two golden weeping willows have been planted near the recently completed cement retaining wall at the South Natick bathing beach so that these trees will help to soften the lines of the wall.

All areas under this department are in good condition and are improving from year to year.

Vandalism continues to be a problem. Lights have been destroyed at the hockey rinks in South Natick and Coolidge Field. The replacement of side boards at this field also has been necessary. The backstop at South Natick and the drinking fountains are constantly in need of repair.

Mr. Charles Welch has resigned from this Department to join the Recreation Department, leaving us a vacancy which will be filled in the March election.

ROBERT L. GAY, *Chairman*

RICHARD A. ROBBINS, *Secretary*

**ON YOUR MARK — GET SET — GO!** Hundreds of people attended the festivities on July 4th, at Dug Pond.





# *Recreation Commission*

PROGRESS IN PROVIDING ADEQUATE RECREATIONAL FACILITIES FOR OUR COMMUNITY, although slow, is steady. Each year we have been able to fill some need. However, some recommendations made as long ago as 1948 have not yet been fulfilled. One has to do with Town Forest Park. To quote from the Report of the Recreation Commission in 1953, "Town Forest Playground is one of a few areas in Natick suitable for a picnic ground. It is a beautiful spot of vast area but somewhat inaccessible, particularly for small children. An entrance from MacArthur Road would make this an ideal spot for Boy and Girl Scout Groups, C.Y.O. Groups, and school groups as well as adults when they wish to have an outing. Properly placed fireplaces, safeguarded from the possibility of a forest fire, with benches and tables, will make this a more desirable spot. The above recommendation was made in the annual report of 1948 and again in 1949. Eventually, a building with toilet facilities and storage space should be obtained, possibly one of the houses on MacArthur Road adjacent to the present easement for drainage held by the Town."

There will be an Article in the Town Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting to cover this situation and Superintendent Raymond Murphy in his annual report has given more detail.

A second project that merits serious consideration is adequate facilities and control at Dug Pond Bathing Beach. To care for the ever increasing use of this facility some form of limitation and control must be instituted. Plans have been prepared for fencing this area so that use can be limited to townspeople. Also increased parking facilities as necessary.

Plans are prepared for extensive improvements at the Cole School grounds including ball fields, a well equipped children's play area and a skating area. Plans are being prepared for improvements in the play areas and play fields at both Lilja and Lincoln Schools as a part of the contract for new additions to these buildings. Cooperation of the School Department has made this possible. A new backstop will be installed at Memorial Field and the present backstop at Bennett-Hemenway will be replaced.

The construction of the Murphy School necessitated the removal of our shaded area. A shelter, similar to those now in use at Lincoln and Bennett-Hemenway, will be constructed at this playground.

Once again we wish to thank Mr. John Gilleland, Business Manager of the School Department, and the Public Works Department for the excellent care of all school areas and the Park Department for care of Whitney and Hunnewell Playgrounds and the many skating areas.

A more detailed account of the accomplishments of this Department and plans for the future will be embodied in the report of our Superintendent of Recreation, Raymond Murphy.

JOHN J. LANE, *Chairman*

M. CHRISTINE HEDDERIG

CHARLES J. WELCH

# *Recreation Superintendent*

TWELVE MONTHS AGO AS WE PREPARED TO PRESENT THE FIRST ANNUAL report for the existing Recreation Staff, there seemed to be a marked change in the extent of recreation as held by many of the local residents. Town officials we believe have felt this impulse of change. A change from antiquated beliefs of: "Why Teach Children to Play," "It is immoral to have fun," "Recreation is only for the young," to a recognition that recreation is essential to normal living for all ages.

There has also been a marked change in what is believed to be the real value of a year-round community recreation program. In the past the by-products were over-emphasized. Overlooked were its relationship to successful family living and to the prevention of mental ill-health. Often stressed were such aims as: "Keep our children off the streets; save children's lives; build children's health; guard children's character; and prevent juvenile delinquency." Though these by-products are good, it now seems that the real positive values, such as greater joy to the individual and a better community living, are becoming recognized.

The present Recreation Department entered into 1956 realizing that this change was coming about, and with a strong faith that the people of Natick were about to put recreation in its proper position of community life. Knowing that there were many town projects seriously needing revenue support and that any major expansion was immediately out of the picture the Recreation Department has tried to give a more than dollar value for each dollar appropriated and in the meantime to impress the town with the extent, variety, and accomplishments of the town's recreation services. In this we wish to thank all local publicity media, newspapers and radios for their support this past year.

The Natick Recreation Department believes that because of this increased public understanding the town is now ready to reasonably support plans for the future. Before discussing the department's immediate future plans we wish to give the public an accounting of the work accomplished this past year.

## **PRESENT**

### **PLAYGROUNDS**

Again the Natick Playgrounds were supervised by Mr. Edward Casey and a very cooperative, enthusiastic staff of leaders. On behalf of the Natick youngsters a hearty thanks to the 1956 playground staff. As in the past most of the major areas of activities were touched on during the seven week period. From quiet activities such as: story telling, arts and crafts, drama, social activities, and nature study; to the more strenuous: athletics and sports, dancing, hiking, etc.

New equipment was purchased with a new slide for Coolidge, an overhead climber for Whitney, and a most successful innovation at Bennett-Hemenway — a merry-go-round.



**EVERYONE HAS WET FEET!** A group of teen-agers making a big splash in Dug Pond under the expert supervision of Joseph Hoague, Natick Recreation Department.

Attendance: Increased approximately 2,000 — individual sessions

1955 — 36,957

1956 — 38,764

## MEMORIAL BEACH

Last year at this time optimism ran very high in the Recreation Department concerning the development of the beach at Dug Pond. Though we were disappointed in the results of the town meeting we still hold high hopes for this project. To be mentioned later in detail.

In spite of the disappointing rejection of major improvements there were many minor physical improvements made. Through the excellent co-operation of the Natick School Department and its maintenance crew, new toilets were put in both dressing rooms, the dressing room ceilings were painted, the concession stand was improved, a new drinking fountain added, masonite windows added to the north side for the protection of the dressers, and the lifeguard office and dressing room were improved. In addition the Public Works improved the parking area and paved a section of West Street in front of the bath house.

In program the beach again drew more than capacity crowds on many days during the summer. The traffic was especially heavy during the months of May, June, and July. At times it became a real safety hazard, practically



impossible for the lifeguard staff to watch all bathers in such a small area. There is no possible way to check attendance and determine just how many non-residents are using the beach. Again we must emphasize the importance of fencing the beach not only to prevent outsiders from entering, but also for the further protection of the Natick Swimmers by providing attendance controls during rush hours. More about this in the future proposal section.

In the Swimming Classes held in conjunction with the Natick Red Cross, over 900 residents young and old enrolled this past summer with 45% completing their Red Cross tests. A new system of dividing the course into two four-week sessions instead of one of seven weeks, proved very popular and much more effective in attendance.

The percent of swimmers completing their classes should grow with the proposed wharf system in addition to one new instructor.

## TENNIS

For the first time regular daily tennis instruction was held at the Natick High School Tennis Courts. Though this program was started in the latter part of the 1955 season it did not become an actual effective program until this past summer. Under the guidance of Miss Dottie Bigelow over 50 children took daily classes from 9 to 12 a.m.

Plans are being made for a tennis institute to be conducted by one of the large National Sporting Goods Companies at the High School Tennis Courts this summer.

## BASEBALL

The Natick Recreation Department tried to assist the Little and Pony Leagues to its fullest extent. A special appropriation was set aside in the recreation budget for the maintenance and improvement of the existing Little League Fields on school property. Though there may be some Little League enthusiasts dissatisfied with one or two fields, we believe the ground-work has been laid for a more efficient development of the Little League Fields. This program conducted entirely by volunteer citizens is one of the community's greatest assets. However, we ask all residents to remember that these fields are primarily a school function and must afford multiple use by the School, Recreation, and Little Leagues. We know all three will cooperate in the future for the best interest of all.

## WINTER OUTDOOR

Though the Winter was long and hard the ice skating was very limited this past year. This is mostly due to inadequate facilities, lack of equipment and manpower for maintenance. The Recreation Department in conjunction with the Natick Park Department is presently trying to iron out some of the existing bottlenecks. There will never be a real good skating program when we must depend on Mother Nature. The only real successful programs throughout the country have been through artificial plants. Many neighboring communities have realized this fact and are studying the problem. However, with some new equipment we hope to do the most with what we have.

Sledding was again successfully supervised at Coolidge Hill and Walnut Hill through the cooperation of the Walnut Hill Girls School.

## WINTER INDOOR

The Girls Saturday Recreation Program has grown this year from three to five schools with all but one showing a marked increase in attendance.

The Elementary Boys' Basketball League has also expanded from five to seven schools, these too showing increased attendance.

The Junior High Basketball League conducted on Wednesday and Thursday evenings is again successfully operating with close to 100 boys taking part.

The Recreation Department joined with local P.T.A.'s to hold successful Friday Dances at Lilja, East and Bennett-Hemenway on ten occasions.

Attendance	
Girls' Recreation	806
Junior High Basketball	752
Elementary Basketball	1,971

## ADULT ACTIVITIES

The annual Adult Hobby Classes held at the Coolidge Junior High were again very popular. An interesting addition this year was a Ladies' Slim-Trim Class which has proved successful in many neighboring communities. Other classes held were Bridge, Oil and Tray Painting, Flower Arranging, Copper Tooling, Sewing and Ceramics.

The Adult Volleyball program started last February at the Junior High has expanded. A group has been added at Cole School on Monday evening and Lilja School on Wednesday evening.

An adult badminton club is in the development stage. Any resident interested should contact the Recreation Office.

## SENIOR CITIZEN

For several decades the proportion of children and young people in our national population has been declining and the proportion of older adults has been increasing. Authorities have predicted that the number of people sixty years of age and over will increase from less than 14 million in 1940 to more than 20 million in 1960. If this estimate proves to be substantially correct and since a large proportion of this age group is unemployed, communities are facing a new and challenging problem of developing an adequate leisure time program for older people. Many government leaders from Federal down have become cognizant of this matter. Some people may question the expenditure of tax revenue for adults, but the more progressive up-to-date communities realize that the only real justification for taxation is to provide for all, no matter what age, sex, race, or faith.

With this in mind the Natick Recreation Department in conjunction with Council of Aging Chairman, Francis Ordway, assisted the elderly resi-

dents in forming a Senior Citizens Club. This is a leisure time, friendship and enjoyment club for the town's senior citizens. Starting last May with over 70 members, 60 years of age or over, the Club has now grown to well over 100 members.

Some of the activities they have conducted since last May: a trip to the Brockton Country Fair; a trip to Whalom Park, Leominster, for a State Wide Outing of Senior Citizens and Golden Age Clubs; 3 trips to Fenway Park to be guests of the Boston Red Sox; a cake sale to raise funds; a penny sale to raise funds; a Christmas Party; and a visit to the Marlboro Senior Citizens Club Outing.

## FUTURE

### IMMEDIATE PLANS

"Every man has a right to his place in the Sun." By providing play areas where none exist and by redeveloping existing play areas the Natick Recreation Commission hopes to create a kind of place in the sun where every Natickite regardless of race or creed, age or sex, can find not only a warm welcome but also pleasure and satisfaction. To fulfill properly its responsibilities, the Natick Recreation Commission is adopting a broader concept of recreation, stressing the provision of leisure-time activities for every member of the community from the youngest to the oldest.

Areas that the Natick Recreation Commission have determined need immediate development and coming before town meeting in 1957 are the following:

### MEMORIAL BEACH

Though there is a large amount of waterfront in the Town of Natick, the Dug Pond Beach, at the present, is the most feasible and most easily developed. It is also more accessible to the majority of the population. However, this does not eliminate the discussion and laying of ground work for future beach sites to take care of the increased town population.

In the Beach Article coming before town meeting in 1957 are: a wharf system to include an "H" pier 72' by 60' for instruction of young children, swimming meets for older children and adults, and classes for intermediate swimmers; a pier with diving board; a fence enclosing entire beach; improved parking facilities; and enlarged beach area.

### TOWN FOREST PARK

At the present there is no real park in Natick where a family can go for a picnic, a cookout, a walk in the woods, nature study or other similar activities enjoyed by many communities with parks. Town Forest Park is one of the greatest potentials in the Town of Natick — an asset that would be envied by many other towns. Proposed for development are:

- a. Transfer of present playground equipment from North end of field to South end of field;



- b. Construction of a combination shelter storage and toilet building (at present there are no toilets and no drinking water for the children using the playground) ;
- c. Construction of a combination asphalt surface for multiple use in basketball, volleyball, tennis, skating, etc.
- d. Construction of 3 fireplaces and 3 picnic tables where present playground equipment is located.
- e. Improvement of road leading to North End of Forest Park.
- f. Development of fenced access way to South End of Forest Park from MacArthur Road.

## COLE PLAYGROUND

Though this is a town meeting proposal of the Natick School Department it has been planned in conjunction with the Recreation Commission. This section of Town, West Natick, is the most needy for a play area including a ball field. There are over 500 children in this neighborhood yet not one ball field. Included in the playground proposals are:

- a. Two ball fields, one Little League size, one Junior size.
- b. A prepared area for ice skating.
- c. Playground equipment for children and teen-agers.
- d. Development of the present hot top parking area for multiple use.

## BENNETT-HEMENWAY TENNIS COURTS

This town meeting proposal is sponsored by the North Natick Improvement Association and is sanctioned and encouraged by the Natick Recreation Commission. Tennis Court additions have been talked of for some time but always delayed due to inadequate space or finances. Now an area has been prepared by the School Department for just such a development.

In the proposal are:

- a. Two Tennis Courts.
- b. Complete Fencing.
- c. Metal Tennis Nets and Posts.

## LONG RANGE PLANS

These mentioned projects are the immediate proposed improvements. There are more greatly needed facilities, undoubtedly some overlooked by the Recreation Commission. How to plan for the future so that all neighborhoods' needs are taken care of in the proper proportion and at the proper time is a problem presently facing the Recreation Commission. This planning problem was realized three years ago and an attempt was made to help correct it. A town-wide Recreation Advisory Council was set up. The

purpose of this council was to advise and help the Recreation Commission develop a projected plan of facilities and program for Natick in the future. This council was made up of representatives from each neighborhood, and functioned for 6 months when it ceased to operate due to a change in the position of Recreation Superintendent. This Council, being a volunteer group of citizens giving their free time, is dependent to a great extent for administrative assistance from the Recreation Office. Assistance in such matters as: setting up meetings, advice on agendas and discussion, professional assistance in projects undertaken, and others are rendered by the Recreation Superintendent. Encouraged by the Commission we have wanted to reactivate this council. However, because of limited year-round staff it takes most of the available hours for the present program.

We do hope something can be done concerning this council in the very near future, so that a town-wide accepted plan can be ready for the 1958 town meeting.

Some of the projects under consideration by the commission that would be studied by the council along with their neighborhood ideas are: Additional Park and Picnic Space; Artificial Ice Skating Plant; Day Camp for Playground Youngsters; Additional Ball Fields; Swimming Pool; Additional Tennis Facilities; Additional Winter Sports Facilities; Handball Courts; Boating Program and Instruction; Nature Program; Lighted Ball Plant (Softball, Pony League); Special Groups Recreation Programs — such as Handicapped and Retarded.

These and others will need much serious thought and discussion. Some will probably be determined unnecessary and others not feasible. The Commission would like to see what is found needed, developed into a projected plan whereby some are attended to each year according to the ability of the town to support.

It is the Recreation Commission and Department's fond hope that an attempt will have been made to foster some of these plans before the next annual report.

Any questions or suggestions concerning this report or any phase of Recreation in Natick will be appreciated by the Department.

RAYMOND G. MURPHY, *Superintendent*

# *Board of Health*

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES REPORTED IN 1956 WERE AS FOLLOWS:

Chickenpox	625
German measles	59
Infectious hepatitis	1
Measles	3
Mumps	57
Poliomyelitis — non-paralytic	1
Scarlet fever	49
Salmonella	4

With the exception of chickenpox, contagious diseases were less in number this year than in 1955. Home visits were made by our Health Department nurses on these contagious cases and releases were subsequently given to 751 pupils.

Our Polio inoculation program was intensified this year. The first 1956 Polio clinics were held in March and April in 14 schools, vaccinating 1811 children with their 2nd and booster injections. This program completed the children who had commenced their shots in 1954 or 1955. Our new Polio program was started in April with clinics being held at 13 schools. At these clinics 3,390 school and pre-school children received their first inoculation. Second inoculations were held during July at the Center School with 3,022 children attending. In September 361 pupils in the 15-19 age group received their first inoculation at Senior High School. An evening clinic was held at the Board of Health office for those in the 15-19 age group who did not attend Senior High School. Only 75 attended this clinic. Second doses were given to the 15-19 age group in October with 305 vaccinated at Senior High School and 69 vaccinated at the evening clinic. In December two clinics were held for the Grammar School children: 1001 received either second or booster shots. There was only one case of poliomyelitis reported this year and that was non-paralytic. This patient was an adult. It might be well to remind you again that, at this time, any adult who wishes polio inoculations may go to his own physician and have it administered.

Four immunizing clinics for Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, and Tetanus were held at the Health Department quarters for infants and school children. 188 regular or booster shots were given.

There were 39 Well Baby Clinics held in our quarters during 1956. There were 181 babies visiting these clinics. There were 44 premature births reported during the year (2 were stillborn and 10 died after birth).

Cases of Tuberculosis (all forms) on our Register as of December 31, 1956 totaled 55. In conjunction with the Middlesex County T.B. Association we sponsored a Community X-ray Program from October 29 through November 2nd. 2326 X-rays were taken which included 557 food handlers and 343 teachers and school personnel.



The following permits and licenses were issued by the Board of Health:

General licenses	42
Cesspools	93
Septic tanks	7
Burial permits	224
Methyl licenses	26
Milk licenses (vehicle)	19
Milk licenses (store)	79
Oleomargarine	27
Camps and cabins	5
Massage	5
Beverages	1
Funeral Directors	6
Mfg. Ice Cream	7

Our veterinarian has inspected all barns and all livestock therein. The premises were found satisfactory. He has also examined all dogs (112) involved in dog-bite cases. Approximately 1062 dogs were vaccinated at our several Rabies Clinics held last June. Reimbursements to the Town Treasurer (nominal fee collected) from the Rabies Clinics amounted to \$526.74.

Our Dental Clinic, which is situated at the Center School, had a very successful year. The Clinic has eight sessions weekly with an average of eight operations per session, which includes cleanings, fillings, treatments and necessary extractions. During 1956 our clinic conducted 1989 operations on 788 patients. Fees collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer totaled \$1614.00.

The department's laboratory under the supervision of our Sanitarian was certified once again by the State Department of Public Health. Routine inspections were carried out by the Sanitarian and in some instances court action had to be taken for compliance. Nuisances created by incoming industries are becoming an increasing and time consuming problem. It is anticipated some rules and regulations can be adopted in the not too distant future concerning this matter.

Dug Pond, Lake Cochituate, Non-Such Pond and the Charles River all tested within normal limits for swimming purposes. The Charles River, however, was closed earlier than usual. Open locks lowered the water level creating inadequate flow when the M.D.C.'s sewer line was extended in that area.

The following is a general breakdown of the work covered by the Sanitarian for the year 1956:

Complaints (all types)	104
Consultations (drainage, disposal units, etc.)	117
Court Hearings	25
Dairy Inspections	5

Final Inspections (disposal units)	77
Inspections (eat. est., canteens, markets, etc.)	230
Lot Surveys	92
Milk Samples	54
Percolation Tests	43
Progress Inspections (disposal units, complaints, etc.)	301
Water Samples	25

Our Mosquito Control program was in operation from April 1st to October 31st. Ditch work was not started until April due to the March snow storms. A new Aero Mist Sprayer was purchased and it works excellently. In addition, helicopter spraying was conducted in the Sunk-away and Non-Such Pond areas. The many playgrounds, school grounds and highways received poison ivy spraying.

We feel that the Town of Natick offers a good public health program. We shall continue to do our best in protecting the health interests of the citizens of Natick.

JOSEPH P. FOLEY, *Chairman*

STUART C. PETERSON

FRANK A. EAST, M.D.  
*Board of Health, Natick*

## *Leonard Morse Hospital*

THE LEONARD MORSE HOSPITAL WITH AN ANNUAL BILLING OF OVER \$600,000.00 in 1956 reflects the growth of the area which it serves.

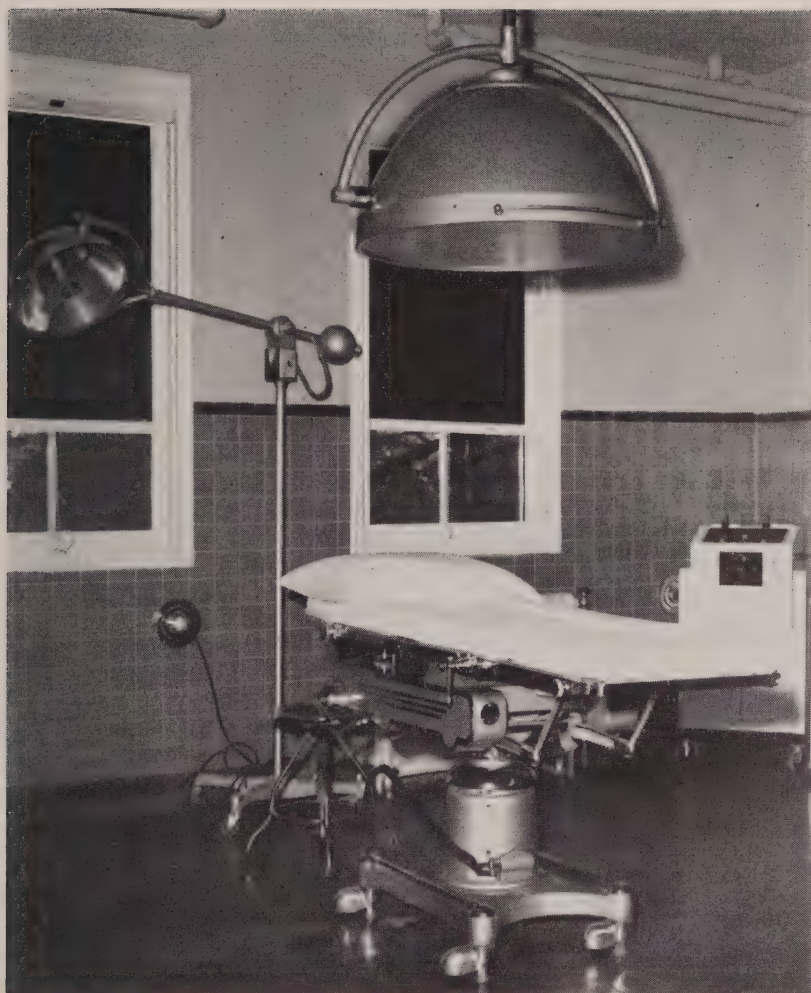
The increases in activity which have characterized its operation since the opening of its new wing in 1953 continued unabated in 1956.

Admissions were up 12% over the previous year. The number of births increased 9%. There was an 11% increase in days of hospital care, an increase of 12% in the number of operations performed, an increase of 11% in the average daily number of patients and an increase of 12% in laboratory examinations.

In order to keep up with this increased activity it became increasingly necessary to add to the facilities of the hospital throughout the year. This we were able to do due to the generosity of various organizations and individuals in the town. These gifts made possible additional operating room facilities as well as increased and improved equipment in other areas.

A substantial grant from the Ford Foundation made possible the addition of other facilities, including the replacement of very old laundry equipment with new and up to date equipment.

The Trustees appreciate the gifts and the assistance so generously provided.



**LATEST DEVELOPMENTS** in science and medicine. The new Operating Room at the Leonard Morse Hospital.

Increasing payroll costs as well as increases in the cost of supplies and increases in general expenses made our collection problem still more acute. Extra effort along this line has resulted in some improvement in collections but if we are to render efficient service to the community at reasonable cost all those using the facilities of the hospital must pay their share.

On March 31, 1956 Mr. Arthur B. Fair was re-elected President of the Board of Trustees, Mr. George S. Hodgson was re-elected Treasurer and Mr. William F. Bigelow was elected Secretary.

The report of the Administrator and the Treasurer follow and are to be considered a part of this report.



For the Trustees of the Leonard Morse Hospital.

WILLIAM F. BIGELOW, *Secretary*

*Member of*  
American Hospital Association  
Massachusetts Hospital Association  
Boston Hospital Council  
and

Approved by  
American College of Surgeons

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*Administrator*

Mary M. Dunn

## STAFF MEMBERS AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 1956

### *Physician-in-Chief*

Clifford L. Derick, M.D.

### *Surgeon-in-Chief*

Newton C. Browder, M.D.

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Arthur W. Allen, M.D.  
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Raymond A. Dillon, M.D.  
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E. F. Wells, M.D.

### *Pathologist*

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### *Consultant in Anesthesia*

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Leicester S. Johnston, Jr., M.D.  
Arthur E. Taddeo, M.D.  
A. Ritchie Stagg, M.D.

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Gertrude H. Lavelle, M.D.  
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Joel Rosenberg, M.D.  
Charlotte A. Stewart, M.D.

*Cardiologist*

Sawyer Foster, M.D.

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Frank A. East, M.D.

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Hyman Scharff, D.M.D.  
Eliot L. Zigelbaum, D.D.S.

## REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

### Year Ending September 30, 1956

FOR THE HOSPITAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1956, OUR ADMISSIONS were up 12% over the previous year. We had 3046 more days of hospital treatment and the births were again up 9% over the previous year. The Outpatient load and Accident Cases increased tremendously.

The Evening Division of the Natick Women's Club furnished and dedicated a new Major Operating Room during the year.

The Ford Foundation Grant enabled the hospital to purchase new much needed Laundry Equipment and one of the newest, improved Fracture tables.

Friends of the hospital, interested primarily in the Pediatric Department, made a substantial gift toward the installation of oxygen and suction to that part of the hospital, the work on which is nearly completed. Also, the Pediatric beds have been increased to fourteen from ten, and the statistics will show a substantial increase in the number of children admitted for treatment during the year.

The Ladies' Aid Association continues with its activities in the interest of the hospital, having purchased new operating room equipment during the year. It has continued its Library Program, Coffee Shop and an extensive Christmas Cheer Activity which includes all patients in the hospital.

We are now maintaining a small supply of blood of different types at all times and the Natick Chapter of the American Red Cross has been most cooperative in this program.

The various Town Departments, groups of citizens, especially the Girl and Boy scouts have given much time and energy to the welfare of the patients here at the hospital, all of which is much appreciated.

The Medical Staff continues on a high plane of service to its patients and the hospital. There is an earnest desire to give its best always and to share with its members any knowledge and skill which is needed.

The Leonard Morse Hospital endeavors to serve the community, its residents and industries in the best possible manner always and continues to be a busy place.

MARY M. DUNN, *Administrator*



## COMPARATIVE STATISTICS

	Year 1956	Ending September 30 1955	
Number of Patients Admitted .....		4424	3941
Adults .....	1793	1871	
Children .....	678	573	
Mothers .....	850	781	
Infants .....	781	716	
Total Discharges .....		4412	3931
Well .....	114	151	
Improved .....	4086	3581	
Not Improved .....	81	76	
Not Treated .....	34	23	
Deaths .....	97	100	
Autopsies .....		20	21
Accident Cases .....		1590	1133
Outpatient Visits .....		5093	3887
X-Ray Patients .....		5415	6813
Diathermy .....		104	46
Basals .....		138	118
Frozen Sections .....		5	12
Electrocardiographs .....		473	417
Laboratory Examinations .....		27988	24417
Surgical Operations .....		3536	2923
Days of Hospital Care Furnished .....		28277	25231
Average Stay per Patient — Days .....		6.4	7
Average Daily Number of Patients .....		77.4	68.3

## *Industrial Council*

THE ACTIVITIES OF THE NATICK INDUSTRIAL COUNCIL WERE CONFINED mostly to policy discussions on the future development of the sewer bed area.

Additionally, meetings were held with the Planning Board on restrictive articles for the Town Meeting in connection with possible changes in the zoning and building regulations.

Because the sewer beds may be abandoned during the calendar year 1957, more meetings are planned in cooperation with the Town of Framingham.

The Council deeply regrets the loss of one of its most valuable and active members, Mr. George L. Flynn, who recently passed away.

WALTER E. FLAGG, *Secretary*

HOWARD L. BUTTERS, *Chairman*

# *Civil Defense*

DURING THE YEAR 1956 THE TOWN OBTAINED SOME UNITS THROUGH MATCHING funds.

The Auxiliary Police under Chief Shea did a fine job through the year.

Director William F. Wells attended many meetings with the State and Section 1C Civil Defense.

Many talks and Civil Defense pictures were shown during the year.

The program of I.D. Tags for the school children was completed but any person wishing to have I.D. Tags can receive them by calling the Director at OL3-2221.

A Rescue Team was started by Chief Brown of the Fire Department who as Deputy Director of Civil Defense is in charge of Rescue Operations.

I wish at this time to express my thanks to the members of the Civil Defense for their fine co-operation and assistance during the year.

The following is the complete staff of the Natick C.D.A.

Director	William F. Wells
Deputy Director	Lyman G. Brown, Chief Fire Department
Medical Officer	Dr. Arthur Taddeo
Fire and Rescue	Lyman G. Brown
Police	W. Joseph Shea, Chief Police Department
Communications	William W. Fairbanks
Evacuation	Edward H. Hawes
Transportation	Thomas Huddy
Public Utilities	Joseph Donovan
Education	E. Davis Woodbury, Superintendent of Schools
Civilian War Aid	J. Gordon Stevens, Agent Welfare Department
Radiological Monitoring	Wendell F. Bennett
Planning Officer	Henri Prunaret
Intelligence	Henri Prunaret
Chief Warden	Jerry Torti
Red Cross Liaison	John Powers
Secretary of C.D.A.	Warren R. Schlemmer

WILLIAM F. WELLS, *Director*

# *Natick Housing Authority*

DURING THE APPROXIMATELY SIX YEARS OF OPERATION OF THE NATICK Housing Authority there have been fifty-nine tenants who have moved from the project to new homes of their own. These tenants had lived in the Natick project for an average of twenty-two months.

The above performance points out the fact that the Housing Authority in Natick is successfully achieving its goal — temporary housing until the veteran is able to improve his standing.

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The past year has been a busy one as related to the “Housing For the Aged” program.

At the March Town meeting the town of Natick voted authorization for the Authority to build Housing for the Aged in Natick. The members screened more than a dozen sites with the assistance of an engineering firm. Following numerous meetings, trips to sites, visits with owners, etc., it became apparent that three sites only would meet all requirements. These locations are off Bacon Street (two sites), and on Speen Street. Articles have been inserted in the Town Warrant for specific zoning changes for these sites, subject to final state approval.

In March, Edward A. Johnson, state appointee, was elected chairman. In October, Mr. Johnson moved from Natick and resigned from the Authority. State Chairman D. A. Tyler appointed Peter A. Lombardy of Willow Street to replace Mr. Johnson.

At the ensuing special election Robert D. Coleman, former chairman, was elected to Mr. Johnson’s position as chairman of the Authority.

ROBERT D. COLEMAN, *Chairman*

JOHN A. GRADY

CARLETON R. LEAVITT

PETER A. LOMBARDI

CHARLES M. WINTERSON



# *Planning Board*

THE PLANNING BOARD DURING 1956 HELD REGULAR MEETINGS ON THE THIRD Tuesday of each month. The Board also held a hearing on the Town Meeting Articles.

The Board signed the development plan of Eliot Acres off Woodland Street, an area of 80 acres with a total of 71 lots.

During the year an informal meeting was held on a prospective development on Oxford Road in East Natick, which consisted of an area of 14 acres with 38 lots.

Another developer came in for an informal discussion on an area both sides of Pine Street, North Natick. This land had a total area of 93 acres in which there are 40 acres south of Pine Street and 53 acres north of Pine Street, with 20 acres in Natick and the balance in Wayland.

The problems of a development that would extend into two towns brought the Natick and Wayland Planning Boards together in a joint meeting. The positions of the Hultman Aqueduct and the Toll Road were considered in their relation to the problems that this development would bring to other Town departments.

The consensus of opinion of the joint boards was that they would request their respective Town Counsels to explore mechanics of procedure to change Town Lines, so as to exchange land so that Wayland would acquire land north of the Toll Road and Natick land south of the Toll Road.

The Planning Board again recommends that the land in school areas be improved so that they may provide a proper play area for the pupils and also serve as recreation areas for the Town.

The completion of the M.D.C. Sewer in Natick and Framingham will release land from sewer use near Speen Street, West Natick, and the Planning Board and a sub-committee from the Industrial Council have held two conferences on this matter. A substantial addition to Natick's industrial valuation would further solidify our financial structure.

DANIEL J. MURPHY, JR., *Chairman*  
CARLETON R. LEAVITT

G. MILO BALCOM, *Secretary*  
EDWARD A. BALDWIN, JR.

FREDERICK J. BUCKLEY

# *Building Department*

YEAR  
1956

EMPLOYEES  
2 Regular  
4 Deputies

THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT ISSUED A TOTAL OF 1073 PERMITS AND RECEIVED in fees the sum of \$5,130, this amount subsequently turned over to the Town Treasurer's office.

The permits broken down as follows:

Alterations	131
Signs	21
Buildings Razed	9
New Buildings	94
Electrical	420
Garages	29
Gas	52
Plumbing	317

Valuation on the following types of permits are broken down as follows:

## NEW BUILDING

Residential	\$ 966,600
Non-Residential	593,500
Cole School	219,000
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	\$1,779,100

## ALTERATIONS

Residential	\$193,725
Non-Residential	43,723
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	\$237,448

## GARAGES

Private	\$26,000
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The Board of Appeals heard approximately 58 appeals for variances during the past year, the majority concerning non-conforming lots.

One important request being made this year by the Building Department is to have at least two alternate members appointed to the Board of Appeals. As our By-Laws require a unanimous vote to change any of the provisions of the Code and since the Board of Appeals must have at least three members sitting at its Hearings it is sometimes very inconvenient to insure a scheduled Hearing due to sickness or distress. One of these alternates should be an attorney at law.

RICHARD L. BENNETT  
*Inspector of Buildings*

# Tax Collector

## 1951 REAL ESTATE ACCOUNT Dr.

To amount outstanding December 31, 1955 .....	\$ 90.68	
By amount outstanding December 31, 1956 .....	\$ 90.68	

## 1952 REAL ESTATE ACCOUNT Dr.

To amount outstanding December 31, 1955 .....	398.88	
To interest collected .....	10.27	
To fees collected .....	.70	\$409.85
By amount paid Treasurer .....	72.41	
By amount outstanding December 31, 1956 .....	337.44	409.85

## 1953 REAL ESTATE ACCOUNT Dr.

To amount outstanding December 31, 1955 .....	202.17	
To interest collected .....	7.20	
To fees collected .....	.70	210.07
By amount paid Treasurer .....	63.97	
By amount outstanding December 31, 1956 .....	146.10	210.07

## 1953 MOTOR VEHICLE ACCOUNT Dr.

To amount outstanding December 31, 1955 .....	78.57	
To abatement rescinded .....	4.03	
To interest collected .....	.64	
To fees collected .....	.35	83.59
By amount paid Treasurer .....	5.02	
By abatement .....	78.57	83.59

## 1954 REAL ESTATE ACCOUNT Dr.

To amount outstanding December 31, 1955 .....	2,127.91	
To interest collected \$20.22 Less refund \$8.16 .....	12.06	
To fees collected \$1.75 less .35 .....	1.40	2,141.37
By amount paid Treasurer .....	311.05	
By abatements .....	169.36	
By Tax Title .....	834.38	
By amount outstanding December 31, 1956 .....	826.58	2,141.37

## 1954 PERSONAL PROPERTY ACCOUNT Dr.

To amount outstanding December 31, 1955 .....	499.32	
By abatements .....	499.32	



1954  
POLL ACCOUNT

Dr.	
To abatement rescinded .....	2.00
Cr.	
By amount paid Treasurer .....	2.00

1954  
MOTOR VEHICLE ACCOUNT

Dr.	
To amount outstanding December 31, 1955 .....	1,820.21
To abatements rescinded .....	58.35
To interest collected .....	2.54
To fees collected .....	1.05
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	1,882.15
Cr.	
By amount paid Treasurer .....	61.94
By abatements .....	1,820.21
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	1,882.15

1955  
MOTOR VEHICLE ACCOUNT

Dr.	
To amount outstanding December 31, 1955 .....	39,433.88
To amount of Warrant 27th Commitment .....	8,370.81
To amount of Warrant 28th Commitment .....	3,206.16
To amount of Warrant 29th Commitment .....	1,079.49
To amount of Warrant 30th Commitment .....	41.36
To amount of Warrant 31st Commitment .....	330.90
To interest collected .....	57.21
To fees collected .....	165.65
To cash abatements .....	2,992.37
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	55,677.83
Cr.	
By amount paid Treasurer .....	39,425.85
By abatements .....	16,066.16
By amount outstanding December 31, 1956 .....	185.82
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	55,677.83

1955  
PERSONAL PROPERTY ACCOUNT

Dr.	
To amount outstanding December 31, 1955 .....	906.75
To interest collected .....	5.80
To fees collected .....	4.90
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	917.45
Cr.	
By amount paid Treasurer .....	524.20
By abatements .....	367.25
By amount outstanding December 31, 1956 .....	26.00
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	917.45

1955  
POLL ACCOUNT

Dr.	
To amount outstanding December 31, 1955 .....	284.00
To abatements rescinded .....	4.00
To interest collected .....	1.82
To fees collected .....	13.65
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	303.47
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By amount paid Treasurer .....	95.47
By abatements .....	208.00
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	303.47

1955  
REAL ESTATE ACCOUNT

Dr.		
To amount outstanding December 31, 1955 .....	48,913.79	
To cash abatements (\$2,076.75 less refund \$34.10) .....	2,042.65	
To interest collected .....	1,172.64	
To fees collected .....	573.05	52,702.13
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By amount paid Treasurer (\$46,896.52 less refund \$34.10) .....	46,862.42	
By abatements .....	2,999.75	
By Tax Title .....	933.74	
By amount outstanding December 31, 1956 .....	1,906.22	52,702.13

1956  
PERSONAL PROPERTY ACCOUNT

Dr.		
To amount of Warrant 1st Commitment .....	180,397.75	
To amount of Warrant 2nd Commitment .....	13.00	
To cash abatements .....	55.25	
To interest collected .....	8.93	
To fees collected .....	6.65	180,481.58
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By amount paid Treasurer .....	178,768.83	
By abatements .....	848.25	
By amount outstanding December 31, 1956 .....	864.50	180,481.58

1956  
POLL ACCOUNT

Dr.		
To amount of Warrant 1st Commitment .....	1,856.00	
To amount of Warrant 2nd Commitment .....	862.00	
To amount of Warrant 3rd Commitment .....	2,064.00	
To amount of Warrant 4th Commitment .....	2,254.00	
To amount of Warrant 5th Commitment .....	1,972.00	
To amount of Warrant 6th Commitment .....	2,396.00	
To amount of Warrant 7th Commitment .....	1,876.00	
To amount of Warrant 8th Commitment .....	998.00	
To amount of Supplementary Warrant #1 .....	442.00	
To amount of Supplementary Warrant #2 .....	500.00	
To cash abatements .....	8.00	
To interest collected .....	321.30	
To fees collected .....	11.25	15,560.55
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By amount paid Treasurer .....	13,148.55	
By abatements .....	2,196.00	
By amount outstanding December 31, 1956 .....	216.00	15,560.55

1956  
MOTOR VEHICLE ACCOUNT

Dr.		
To amount of Warrant 1st Commitment .....	22,565.48	
To amount of Warrant 2nd Commitment .....	39,016.40	
To amount of Warrant 3rd Commitment .....	35,949.81	
To amount of Warrant 4th Commitment .....	38,075.68	
To amount of Warrant 5th Commitment .....	23,153.94	
To amount of Warrant 6th Commitment .....	23,059.93	
To amount of Warrant 7th Commitment .....	20,600.80	
To amount of Warrant 8th Commitment .....	19,527.55	
To amount of Warrant 9th Commitment .....	23,692.26	
To amount of Warrant 10th Commitment .....	20,808.51	
To amount of Warrant 11th Commitment .....	33,564.35	
To cash abatements .....	8,083.41	
To interest collected .....	59.22	
To fees collected .....	404.95	308,562.29
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By amount paid Treasurer .....	259,126.91	
By abatements .....	19,230.06	
By amount outstanding December 31, 1956 .....	30,205.32	308,562.29

1956  
REAL ESTATE ACCOUNT

Dr.

To amount outstanding on Special Betterment Warrants		
December 31, 1955 .....	526.31	
To amount of Warrant .....	2,523,358.50	
To amount of Recommitment Warrant #1 .....	3,796.00	
To amount of Omitted Property #1 .....	2,463.50	
To amount of Omitted Property #2 .....	1,303.25	
To amount of Recommitment Warrant #2 .....	117.00	
To amount of Sewer Betterment Warrant .....	22,475.25	
To amount of Sidewalk Betterment Warrant .....	1,679.15	
To amount of Street Betterment Warrant .....	9,259.62	
To amount of Curbing Betterment Warrant .....	50.48	
To amount of Omitted Sewer Betterment Warrant .....	41.28	
To amount of Omitted Sidewalk Betterment Warrant .....	2.50	
To Special Street Betterment Warrants .....	4,035.10	
To Special Sidewalk Betterment Warrants .....	1,281.43	
To Special Sewer Betterment Warrants .....	18,060.15	
To Unapportioned Sewer Betterment .....	86,494.50	
To Unapportioned Sewer Connection Betterment .....	16,853.74	
To Unapportioned Street Betterment .....	10,557.77	
To Unapportioned Sidewalk Betterment .....	415.00	
To cash abatements .....	12,954.50	
To interest collected .....	459.75	
To fees collected .....	386.35	2,716,571.13

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By amount paid Treasurer .....	2,446,135.15	
By abatements .....	107,185.66	
By tax title .....	3,057.49	
By unapportioned betterments apportioned in 1957 .....	163,772.15	
By amount outstanding December 31, 1956 .....	54,420.68	2,716,571.13



# Committee Reports

## SCHOOL SURVEY COMMITTEE

THE SCHOOL SURVEY COMMITTEE, APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR UNDER Article 22, Section G, Item 3, of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of March 20, 1956, has met sixteen times over a period of six months. At the first several meetings we discussed the classroom needs of the various elementary school areas, the feasibility of building additions to existing elementary schools, and the necessity of desirability of additional school sites. In order to use a common frame of reference, we decided to adopt a table of projected grade enrollments. This table was compiled by starting with the actual grade enrollment figures of October 1, 1956, and advancing these figures by one grade each year. In adopting the table several assumptions were made by the Committee which are as follows:

- (1) *At least 700 pupils will enter first grade each year starting in 1956 and continuing for an indefinite period* (experience supports this assumption). The January, 1955, pre-school census figures indicated that there were 733 pupils eligible to enter kindergarten in September, 1956; the October 1, 1956, kindergarten enrollment was 720. The same pre-school census figures indicate 743 pupils eligible to enter kindergarten in 1957, and 747 in 1958. For the past nine years the town-wide first-grade enrollment for any particular year has either exceeded the previous year's kindergarten enrollment or has been no more than fifteen pupils lower. The Committee feels that the figure of 700 pupils starting school each year for an indefinite time is a minimum one to use in present planning.
- (2) *Families moving out of town will be balanced by other families moving in.* This year's eleventh grade, for example, has 23 fewer pupils than last year's tenth grade, but this is balanced by the fact that this year's ninth grade has 28 more pupils than last year's eighth grade. The Committee feels that these adjustments will more or less balance and that the over-all enrollment picture will not be substantially altered.
- (3) *The natural growth of the town will more or less compensate for the number of pupils who drop out before the twelfth year.* Not all the pupils who enter school will reach the twelfth grade, even though they may remain in town. This drop-out rate in Natick is very low — less than 5 per cent, with the exception of transfers, of those who enter first grade fail to enter the twelfth grade. The Committee feels that the natural growth of the town in the form of families who move into new houses will more or less compensate for these "drop-outs."

The table, then, is as follows:

TABLE I  
PRESENT AND PROJECTED ENROLLMENT BY GRADES

	1956 (actual)	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965
K	720	700+	700+	700+	700+	700+	700+	700+	700+	700+
1	611	700+	700+	700+	700+	700+	700+	700+	700+	700+
2	650	611	700+	700+	700+	700+	700+	700+	700+	700+
3	631	650	611	700+	700+	700+	700+	700+	700+	700+
4	616	631	650	611	700+	700+	700+	700+	700+	700+
5	538	616	631	650	611	700+	700+	700+	700+	700+
6	388	538	616	631	650	611	700+	700+	700+	700+
Elementary Total	4154	4446	4608	4692	4761	4811	4900	4900	4900	4900
Yearly increase		292	162	84	69	50	89	0	0	0
7	391	388	538	616	631	650	611	700+	700+	700+
8	443	391	388	538	616	631	650	611	700+	700+
9	377	443	391	388	538	616	631	650	611	700+
10	314	377	443	391	388	538	616	631	650	611
11	269	314	377	443	391	388	538	616	631	650
12	235	269	314	377	443	391	388	538	616	631
Secondary Total	2029	2182	2451	2753	3007	3214	3434	3746	3908	3992
Yearly increase		153	269	302	254	207	220	312	162	84
Grand Total	6183	6628	7059	7445	7768	8025	8334	8646	8808	8892

It can be seen at a glance that with 388 leaving the sixth grade next June and over 700 entering the first grade in September, almost 300 additional elementary school pupils must be provided for by the fall of 1957. The corresponding figures for 1958 show that over 160 additional elementary pupils must be provided for by September of that year.

In order to understand what these additional pupils would require by way of additional classrooms, buildings, and school sites, the School Survey Committee consulted the School Committee on its policies in regard to kindergarten, pupil placement, class size and school sites. Our further planning is based on the following School Committee policies:

- (1) *Kindergarten will be continued;*
- (2) *All pupils should be housed in classrooms and none in all-purpose rooms, gymnasiums, auditoriums, activity rooms or basements;*
- (3) *No more than 30 pupils should be assigned to a class except on a temporary basis where pupil enrollment shows a temporary bulge in a school area;*
- (4) *New school buildings should be located on suitable sites conforming as far as possible with approved educational policy.*

The application of these policy considerations to pupil placement this year indicates that even with the Cole School in use we are short at least ten elementary classrooms at the present time. The current shortage has necessitated two temporary measures. One is the assigning of elementary classes to basement rooms, activity rooms (which should be used for testing, remedial reading in small groups, etc.), and auditoriums, gymnasiums or all-purpose rooms (which should be used for physical education and assemblies). Nine classes are currently assigned to these non-classroom areas. The other undesirable expedient is the large enrollment in one of the elementary classes which requires two teachers. With a shortage this year of at least ten elementary classrooms and an influx of over 300 additional elementary pupils in September of 1957, it is apparent that the additions to the Lincoln and Lilja Schools are vitally necessary. *The Survey*

*Committee urgently recommends that favorable action be taken to have these additions ready for occupancy by the opening of school in September 1957, for even with these additions some non-classroom spaces must be used.*

At first glance it would appear that with a policy of 30 pupils per class, a first grade with a town-wide enrollment of 700 pupils could be housed in 23 classrooms and that the influx of 300 additional elementary pupils in September, 1957, would call for 10 additional classrooms. But the problem is not quite that simple; the additional pupils do not come along broken down evenly in groups of 30. The town is divided into 10 school areas. The pupil enrollment in these areas is not balanced in multiples of 30. For example, the first grade enrollments this year, by schools, are as follows:

TABLE II

<i>Name of School</i>	<i>No. of 1st Grade Pupils</i>	<i>No. of Classes</i>
Bacon	27	1
Bennett-Hemenway	117	4
Brown	52	2
Cole	63	2
East Natick	52	2
Eliot	27	1
Johnson	81	3
Lilja	68	2
Lincoln	44	2
Murphy	33	1
West Natick	47	2
Totals	611	22

The present first grade enrollment of 611 pupils requires 22 classrooms this year. In September, 1957, the first grade of over 700, based on present kindergarten enrollment, will require at least twenty-five classrooms. Hence, an increase in elementary enrollment of 300 pupils may necessitate eleven or even twelve new classrooms, rather than 10. In answer to the obvious question of shifting school area boundaries to balance enrollment in multiples of 30, it must be recognized that geographical factors such as the lakes, Dug Pond, the Sunkaway, and the Worcester Turnpike, plus the factors of distance and safety, tend to eliminate this as a solution. We are satisfied that the School Committee and the Superintendent of Schools have considered, and will continue to consider, changing school area boundaries as a means of balancing class enrollments among school areas. We are also satisfied that only minor adjustments can be made in this way.

In order to estimate adequately the need for new elementary school buildings and sites because of these increases anticipated in elementary school enrollment, we have developed a table showing the number of present classrooms in each elementary school together with the classrooms which will be needed by the fall of 1958 in each area. This chart was developed by moving the enrollments of this year up two grades and bringing 720 pupils into kindergarten each year in the same area enrollments as this year's kindergarten of 720. The table assumes the Lincoln and Lilja additions will be occupied in September, 1957, and that they will alleviate the burden in 1957-58.



TABLE III

ELEMENTARY CLASSROOMS NEEDS AS OF SEPTEMBER 1958

	<i>No. of Classrooms</i>	<i>No. of Classrooms Required Per Grade</i>							<i>Total Classrooms Required for Area</i>	<i>Shortage</i>
		6	5	4	3	2	1	K		
Bacon	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7	3
BH	15	3	4	3	4	4	4	2	24	9
Brown	13	3	3	4	4	5	5	2	26	6
Cole	7									
East	7	2	1	2	2	2	2	1	12	5
Eliot	6	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	2
Johnson	14	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	20	6
Lilja	15	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	13	(2)*
Lincoln	15	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	13	(2)*
Murphy	12	2	2	2	1	2	2	1	12	0
West	7	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	13	6
Total	115	22	21	22	22	24	24	13	148	33

\*Not needed for area, will be utilized to relieve shortage in other areas.

At this point it is necessary to consider what is to be the utilization of the Center School. At present it houses all sixth and most fifth grades. If continued as an elementary school, it could in 1958-59 house all sixth and some fifth grades and our additional elementary classroom need would amount to 7 for that year.

But September of 1958 is a crucial date for the secondary grades also. The Junior High School is extremely overcrowded now and has been for several years. In September of 1958 the seventh and eighth grades will total 926, far in excess of the 650-pupil capacity Coolidge Junior High. In September of 1959 these two grades will total 1154. In both of these years the High School will be at or over capacity if the four grades 9 through 12 are housed there. A table showing the projected secondary enrollment follows:

TABLE IV

## A. PRESENT AND PROJECTED SECONDARY ENROLLMENT (2-4)

	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965
	(actual)									
7 & 8	834	779	926	1154	1247	1281	1261	1311	1400	1400
9-12	1195	1403	1525	1599	1760	1933	2173	2435	2508	2592

## B. PROJECTED SECONDARY ENROLLMENT (3-3)

7-9	1317	1542	1785	1897	1892	1961	2011	2100
10-12	1134	1211	1222	1317	1542	1785	1897	1892

Pupil Capacity: High School 1500; Junior High School 650.

We were, and the town is, faced with three possible approaches to handle the problem of the Center School and secondary school facilities. They are:

- (1) *Use the Center School to supplement the Coolidge Junior High School and build new elementary units to replace it as soon as possible.* Under this plan, we would have to provide a total of at least 21 elementary classrooms, in addition to the 16 classrooms

provided by the Lincoln and Lilja additions, by September of 1958; 13 more by September of 1959; and 5 or 6 more by September of 1960 to handle the added elementary school enrollment and to make up for the transfer of the Center School from the elementary to the secondary level. In addition, the High School would be at capacity (see Table IV-A, Page 81) in 1958 with grades 9-12. By shifting some 9th grades to the Coolidge or Center Schools, the addition to the High School could be deferred to 1960, when it would have to be ready for occupancy. Finally, assuming that a High School addition to handle 600 pupils were started in 1958 and ready for occupancy in 1960, then the High School, grades 9-12, with its addition, would be at capacity in 1962. Construction of the new Junior High School would definitely have to be started in 1960 to be ready for occupancy in September, 1962. To enumerate the steps involved in this approach, they are as follows (all facilities to be ready for occupancy in September of the year indicated — two years allowed from authorization to completion):

1957	Lincoln and Lilja additions
1958	21 elementary classrooms
1959	13 elementary classrooms
1960	600-pupil addition to High School
1960	7 elementary classrooms
1961	7 elementary classrooms
1962	New Junior High School
1962	Requirements (K-6) — 12 K and 150 classrooms.

- (2) *Continue the Center School as an elementary unit, continue the ninth grade at the High School, and build additions to the Coolidge Junior High School and the High School as soon as possible.* Under this plan we could handle the elementary problem by providing 13 elementary classrooms for 1958 and 5 or 6 more for 1959. On the secondary level we would have to have a 500-pupil addition for the Coolidge Junior High ready for occupancy in September, 1958 (see Table IV-A, Page 81). This would be at capacity in one year and the new Junior High School should be ready in September of 1960. The High School would be at capacity in 1961 (see Table IV-B) and the addition would have to be ready by September, 1962. To recapitulate, we would have to have ready in September of each year the following:

1957	Lincoln and Lilja additions
1958	13 elementary classrooms
	500-pupil addition to Coolidge Junior High
1959	5 or 6 elementary classrooms
1960	1100-1200-pupil Junior High School
1962	600-pupil High School addition

- (3) *Continue the Center School as an elementary unit and build a new Junior High School as soon as possible.* The earliest we could expect the new Junior High School to be ready for occupancy, assuming that favorable action were taken as early as

possible, is September, 1959. The continued use of the Center School, plus an addition of 13 elementary classrooms for 1958, would appear sufficient to handle the elementary level for several years. In 1958 the seventh and eighth grades would be too large for the Coolidge Junior High School and some of the seventh grades would have to be accommodated at the Center School. This would decrease the number of classrooms available for elementary use and indicate the need for 15-17 elementary classrooms for 1958 rather than 13. Finally, under this plan the High School addition would be needed for 1963.

- 1957 Lincoln and Lilja additions
- 1958 15-17 elementary classrooms
- 1959 New Junior High School
- 1960 7 elementary classrooms
- 1963 600-pupil High School addition

The Committee recommends that Plan No. 2 be rejected. An addition to the Coolidge Junior High School would be costly since it is unlikely that it could be built with state aid unless a new gymnasium or auditorium and additional lunchroom facilities were included. In any event it would not handle the additional students for more than a year or two.

## PART II

Natick is well along the way to a total pupil enrollment of 8000 by 1961, less than five years away, and over 9000 in the mid-1960's. This means an increase of 1800 pupils in the next five years and a further increase of about a thousand in the five years following. By far the greater portion of this increased enrollment will be on the secondary level, and the Junior High School will feel the initial impact. We cannot ignore these facts, nor can we waste our time and energy deploring them. These children, who, in five years, will increase our seventh, eighth, and ninth grade enrollment from 1200 to 1900 are not vague predictions based on anticipated growth of the town. They are already in our schools, attending the second, third, and fourth grades.

We will clearly need all additional secondary school facilities — the new Junior High School and an addition to the High School. Both of these structures will have to be started and completed between now and 1962 or 1963 at the latest. The only choice is when and in what order these facilities will be constructed. Differences existing between Plan No. 1 and Plan No. 3:

Plan No. 1 would spend \$1,000,000.00 over Plan No. 3 for elementary classrooms. Plan No. 3 would spend \$1,000,000.00 over Plan No. 1 for Junior High School.

Plan No. 1 would return the Center School to the secondary level and Plan No. 3 would continue this school in the elementary level.

The timing of the projects is at variance in that Plan No. 1 would build an addition to the High School ahead of the proposed new Junior High School while Plan No. 3 would reverse the procedure.

Plan No. 1 is recommended to the School Committee for consideration for the following reasons:

A belief that the pupils of grades 5 and 6 should be housed in classrooms in the areas in which they live and not be transported at an annual cost of \$20,000.00, to the Center School. Release of this school to grades 7-9 would relieve the overload now at the Coolidge Junior High School.

Plan No. 1 requires the building of 19 elementary rooms for occupancy as of September, 1958. The elementary requirements are 12 kindergartens and 150 classrooms by 1962 — because of variance in areas, 25 classrooms rather than 23 are used as the basis of housing 700 pupils per class and kindergartens would continue to operate on double sessions. To meet this need, Plan No. 1 requires the building of 13 rooms for 1959, 7 for 1960, and 7 for 1961 beyond Plan No. 3. If time proves the forecast of 700 pupils per class as correct, all elementary classroom requirements have been met.

Plan No. 1 requires the building of a 600-pupil addition to the Senior High School in 1958 for occupancy in 1960. This could house grades 9-12 until 1963, at which time it would care for grades 10-12 for a long time.

Plan No. 1 requires the building of a Junior High on the site north of Worcester Street in 1960 for occupancy in 1963. To house 2100 pupils (grades 7-9) as forecast, Center, Coolidge, and the new Junior High would readily care for such a number. Some would suggest the 7th grade at Center, 8th at Coolidge, and 9th at the new Junior High. But this does not have to be so because the Center operated as a high school (grades 10-12) and the Coolidge (grades 7-9) and all three could operate 7-9. Such operation would again reduce transportation costs. Many cities and towns operate multi-junior and senior high schools.

By deferring the new Junior High until last on the agendum, it provides a time element of 4 years for proving the accuracy of the forecast as to necessary size of the unit. The School Survey Committee of 1950 with the assistance of professional aid based their conclusions on a 400-class projection. This committee of 1956 is projecting a 700-class basis. But will it hold up? Time alone will tell.

The financial facts reveal that Plan No. 1 will save the Town approximately \$436,000.00 in interest charges and will return \$505,500.00 in State School Assistance Aid by 1970 in excess of Plan No. 3. All debt on Plan No. 1 will terminate in 1970, while debt on Plan No. 3 extends 10 years beyond this date. Based on a \$50,000,000.00 valuation, net debt and interest on Plan No. 1 will add \$4.80 to the tax rate in 1959 — the year of highest charges — reducing each year to 22c in 1970. Plan No. 3 will add \$5.80 in 1959 reducing to \$1.68 in 1970. Bear in mind that this addition is over and above the existing net debt and interest in 1959 of \$536,745.00 which, on the same basis of evaluation, amounts to \$10.73 on the tax rate.

### PART III

There is the further matter of school sites on which to report. The town now owns an elementary school site near Pine, Oak and Winter Streets; another off Center Street between Walnut Park and Wethersfield, and a Junior High School site off North Main Street just north of Worcester Road at the end of Rutledge Road. After considering the matter of adding



to existing buildings versus constructing elementary facilities on new sites, *we recommend that the new thirteen-room elementary school to be ready by September, 1958, be built on the Pine-Oak-Winter Street site.* A new school in this location will relieve both the Bennett-Hemenway (which will be overcrowded) and the East Natick Schools and will practically eliminate transportation of elementary pupils north of Worcester Road. There would be very little, if any, saving in construction costs by adding to either or both of these schools since, for example, neither existing school has the boiler capacity to handle extra rooms. *The Committee* also recommends that the additional elementary classrooms and an all-purpose room be constructed at the West Natick School site.

*We further recommend that the new Junior High School be built on the Rutledge Road site* for several reasons—first, the site is adequate, second, the location would result in maximum savings in transportation, and third, the land is already owned by the town.

As for sites for future schools, experience has shown that it is not always possible to get the best school sites after an area has begun to develop. We believe the wise course of action would be to provide now for later expansion of elementary school facilities. Reference to Table III will show that if the Bennett-Hemenway, East Natick, and West Natick areas are provided for by new elementary schools in 1958, other areas which must be considered for future elementary facilities are Brown-Cole and Johnson. There is sufficient land in the Cole School site to take care of any needed expansion in that area. As to Johnson, we feel that a site for a future elementary school should be acquired north of Woodland Street. An elementary school erected there at a future date would relieve Johnson School. We feel that there are several other areas where sites should be acquired now while good locations are still available. All of these areas are likely spots for future housing. *We recommend, therefore, that the School Committee acquire, as soon as possible, elementary school sites near Memorial Field, near Bacon and Walnut Streets, north of Woodland Street, near Cottage and Everett Streets, and on Pine Street near Felch Road.*

Our findings and recommendations have not taken into consideration two matters which it would be well to bear in mind for future consideration. One is the fact that in our planning we have assumed that home building in Natick will remain somewhat static. Should there be any upsurge in new housing, our recommendations, which are in terms of minimum needs throughout, would have to be revised upward. The other is the fact that we have not provided for a possible increase in the numbers of special class students who are now housed at the Johnson School. Any appreciable increase in the special class enrollment would require additional classrooms, bearing in mind that these classes are limited by statute to 12 and 18, depending on classification. Further, we have not made recommendations on any except immediate needs. *From our study, it is probable that additional elementary classrooms will be needed in September, 1959.* A later review of our findings in relation to school enrollment figures for 1957-58 and 1957 pre-school census figures would more accurately determine the number of classrooms and the most advantageous location. *For these reasons we recommend that this Committee be continued for the purpose of making an annual review and report.*

A summary of our recommendations and a timetable for action in the immediate future follows:

- (1) that the Town Meeting take favorable action on the Lincoln and Lilja additions so that they will be ready for occupancy in September, 1957;
- (2) that the School Committee take appropriate steps to have a 13-room elementary school constructed on the Pine-Oak-Winter Street site, that elementary classrooms and an all-purpose room be constructed at the West Natick site, both to be ready for occupancy in September, 1958, and that the Town Meeting take favorable action on the articles which pertain to it;
- (3) that the School Committee take appropriate action to acquire, at the earliest opportunity, elementary school sites in the Memorial Field area, the Bacon-Walnut Street area, the Woodland Street area, Cottage-Everett Street area, and the Pine Street-Felch Road area, and that the Town Meeting take favorable action on the articles which pertain to these acquisitions;
- (4) that this Committee be continued for the purpose of making an annual review of our findings as they relate to future needs and to report thereon to the School Committee and to the next Annual Town Meeting.

In conclusion, we feel that our recommendations are far from visionary, but rather based on the hard facts of our school enrollment picture. Natick has, according to the Massachusetts Department of Education report for 1955, the fifth largest school population of the 312 towns in the state. In the lower elementary grades we ranked second only to Weymouth. The Committee feels that we must all recognize these facts and start immediately to provide the necessary school plants to handle our established needs.

We should like to express our appreciation to Superintendent of Schools E. Davis Woodbury, Director of Elementary Education Gail E. Cosgrove, and the other School Department personnel who assisted the Committee. Lastly, the other members of the Committee would like to thank Mrs. Mary Gray who, in addition to participating fully as a member of the Committee, served ably as our Secretary.

DANIEL J. O'LEARY, *Chairman*  
G. MILO BALCOM  
FLETCHER A. HATCH

MARY C. GRAY, *Secretary*  
MINOT B. MACDONALD  
CHARLES W. WHITAKER

#### MINORITY REPORT

Although I agree with the majority of the Committee on Part I and Part III of the report, I do not agree with their selection of a plan in Part II. I would recommend adoption of Plan 3 which calls for the construction of a new junior high school as soon as possible. My reasons for favoring this plan are based on both educational and financial considerations.

From the educational point of view, housing a junior high school program in the Center School would be decidedly inferior to housing such a program in a newly constructed building. A school building is designed to house an educational program and determines to a great extent what

that educational program can be. The Center School was built in 1913, and designed in accordance with the accepted concepts of secondary education of that era. Today its physical facilities are inadequate for use as a secondary school. These inadequacies were detailed in the Report of the School Building Survey of the Natick Secondary Schools submitted to a previous School Survey Committee in 1951 by Educational Service Associates. The Survey Staff, a group of professional educators which included three school superintendents and a graduate engineer, rated this building "Inadequate" with a point score of 285 out of a possible 1000, concluded that it was no longer suitable for educational purposes, and recommended that it be replaced. Although some of the deficiencies pointed out by the 1951 Survey, such as poor lighting, have been remedied, most of the others — the lack of any outdoor facilities for physical education, the poor indoor facilities for physical education, the deficient science laboratories, the lack of industrial arts facilities, the poor homemaking rooms, the narrow corridors which inhibit the exchange of classes between periods, to name but a few — continue to exist. It would be expensive to remedy these deficiencies if it were possible to do so. To install a library, shops, laboratories, guidance and other facilities essential to a modern junior high school program would reduce the number of available classrooms substantially below the twenty-four now used.

It has been suggested that, instead of using the Center School as a three-grade junior high school, the entire seventh grade could be housed at the Center School and the eighth at Coolidge, with the ninth continuing at the High School. This arrangement would, of course, dilute the impact of the inadequacies of the Center School on pupils going through it, but it would also mean the total elimination of the junior high school in Natick. Separation of these three grades would make it difficult, if not impossible, to have any integrated program of sports, clubs, and other co-curricular activities. Problems of administering an integrated three-year curriculum would be acute.

On the other hand, continuation of the Center School as a supplement to the area elementary schools, as would be done under Plan 3, would minimize the effect of the inadequacies of that building on the over-all educational program. For example, science laboratories, industrial arts and homemaking facilities are not required for our elementary program. Also, elementary classes do not change rooms every fifty minutes as do secondary classes, hence the narrow corridors would not detract from a program of elementary education in the same way they would detract from a junior high school program.

There does not seem to me to be any question but that Plan 1 is educationally inferior to Plan 3. It can be justified only on the basis that it would be substantially less expensive.

According to the majority, the method of financing the two plans would differ in that all debt incurred under Plan 1 would terminate in 1970 while debt under Plan 3 would extend to 1980. This is brought about by the fact that Plan 3 calls for a \$2,500,000 junior high school, which presumably would have to be paid for over a twenty-year period, and a small number of elementary classrooms; while Plan 1 is based on a \$1,500,000 junior high school and a large number of elementary classrooms, which, it is suggested, can be paid for over periods of from three to ten years. The



consequence of spreading these debt payments under Plan 1 over a shorter period of time would be that state aid would be returned sooner (the total amount of state aid returned to the Town would be the same under either plan) and less total interest would be paid. There would be no appreciable savings in transportation costs by substituting seventh or eighth grade pupils for fifth and sixth grade pupils now attending the Center School. In either case it would be necessary to transport pupils from North, East, South, and West Natick. The total difference, as I see it, would be in the additional interest paid under Plan 3 which, according to the figures cited by the majority, would be \$436,000. Spread over the suggested twenty-year period of financing Plan 3, this would average out at less than fifty cents per year on the tax rate, assuming the same \$50,000,000 valuation mentioned in the majority report. If I understand the references in the majority report to differences in the amounts which would be added to the tax rate under the two plans, they have taken into consideration both the additional interest payable under Plan 3 and the accelerated return of state aid under Plan 1. (In order to understand fully the financial implications of the two Plans, it would be necessary to study the details of the suggested methods of financing the two Plans.) In any event, the majority report states that in 1959 Plan 3 would call for no more than one dollar more on the tax rate than Plan 1. I am not at all satisfied that the people of Natick cannot or will not pay this much more to obtain educationally superior facilities.

I feel sure than even under Plan 1, use of the Center School for a junior high school or for a seventh grade has to be only temporary, although the majority report does not say so, and that it must be abandoned for school purposes eventually. If that is so, then, in my opinion, Plan 1 is an expedient which will lead to more problems, both educational and financial, than it can possibly solve. Experience shows that partial and temporary solutions are almost always uneconomical ones. The long-term trend of school building construction costs has been on the upgrade for many years. There is no present indication that construction costs will go down. The junior high school which could have been built a few years ago for two million dollars would now cost two and one-half million. In all probability the same school will cost three million dollars or more in three or four years. In the long run these increases are more than likely to eliminate any hoped for saving in total interest payments.

For these reasons, I would recommend the immediate construction of a new junior high school and the refurbishing of the Coolidge Junior High School. This would provide Natick children with the facilities they should have and be better calculated to put them on an equal footing with the children in other communities.

There will be some who will criticize me for not going along with the majority in recommending Plan 1. To them I would say that I am sorry there has to be a minority report. However, it is my firm conviction that the people of Natick should have full opportunity to decide what they want by way of school facilities and what they are willing to pay for. If, after being fully informed of all the facts and figures, and having had the arguments in support of each plan presented to them, they select Plan 1, then, of course, the democratic process will have been had.

ROBERT H. ANDERSON



# RUBBISH AND GARBAGE DISPOSAL STUDY COMMITTEE

## SUBJECT

A STUDY OF RUBBISH AND GARBAGE DISPOSAL FOR THE TOWN OF NATICK.

## INTRODUCTION

The Town moderator appointed this committee after the subject study was requested at Town Meeting through its members and the Board of Health. The present disposal methods constitute a health problem. The Town neither owns nor operates the present dump facilities and has little control over the operation of the dump from either a physical or a health standpoint. The loss of these facilities would create a serious disposal problem. At the present time, garbage is disposed of as hog feed. This method appears to be short-lived and the Town will soon have this additional problem of garbage disposal to be met.

## SUMMARY

It is recommended that the Town of Natick construct and operate an incinerator at the present dump site adjacent to Memorial Field.

## DISCUSSION

### A. Methods of refuse disposal studied.

#### 1. Present open dump.

- (a) The facilities as used present a serious health hazard and are a constant source of complaint to local health authorities. Complaints received concern rats, roaches, flies, mosquitoes, blown papers, smoke, and odors. It has also been found in other communities that scavenging at a dump site might well be a source of disease in the community. Even well-operated dumps are generally unsightly and a detriment to the neighborhood.
- (b) The Town, as such, has no control over the operation of the dump because of the present owner's understandable attempt to operate at an extremely low cost. Access roadways and the general facilities are not maintained in a manner satisfactory either to the Board of Health or to the Public Works. This condition causes extremely high operating costs to the Public Works Department because of excessive maintenance such as loss of truck tires, etc.
- (c) Since the Town does not own the dumping facilities, it is quite possible that these facilities might, at some time, be closed to the Town, creating an extremely critical and costly disposal problem.
- (d) The general operating costs to the Town using the present dump facilities are very low and if it were possible to discount the above health and operating problems then this would be the least expensive method of operation.
- (e) The additional problem of garbage disposal makes open dumping

much less desirable due to the extreme sanitation problem. When garbage must be handled, some other dumping method is mandatory.

## 2. Sanitary Landfill Method of Disposal.

(a) The landfill method is a highly acceptable method of refuse disposal and is desirable in that it is possible to reclaim otherwise useless land and make it suitable for community recreational areas. It is also desirable in that the conventional six inch cover of dirt which is applied to the daily mixture of rubbish and garbage provides a layer of earth which excludes rats and vermin and prevents the escape of odors or the outbreak of fire.

(b) Sanitary landfill requires suitable land areas. In the committee's opinion these are not available in Natick. The available areas within the Town appear to be the low lying land at the present dump site or the low lying land of the Sunkaway swamp north of Route 9. Because there is no high ground reasonably adjacent to provide the cover material, it is felt that the cost for this type of operation would make it prohibitive. The type of soil used for cover material is most important. Rocky or clay type soil is not suitable. Sandy soil is the most desirable.

A third area considered is the present sewer bed site, but because of its potential value as a tax property to the Town, it should not be used for dumping. Areas where landfill operations are conducted are only suitable for recreational type development and have no value as residential or industrial building sites.

It is felt that with the growing population in the Town any landfill method if conducted would be on an extremely short term basis and that within a period of a very few years some other solution would have to be found.

(c) The equipment required for a landfill system makes this type operation more expensive than the open dump method.

## 3. Incineration.

(a) Incineration is strongly indicated in the case of Natick because of the very real problem of disposing of garbage as well as rubbish. Just as the Town of Natick has excluded the operation of piggeries within its bounds, Public Health officials and public opinion are forcing similar steps in surrounding areas. A basic premise in this study is that in the committee's opinion, and quite properly in the near future, it will be no longer possible to dispose of garbage by the hog-feeding method.

(b) Incineration is the cleanest, quickest, and most sanitary method of refuse disposal. With a properly designed and operated plant in which collections are made at the correct intervals, there should be no health or nuisance value whatsoever with this method of disposal.

(c) The cost of operation on an incinerator is high, but quick and complete destruction of all material which might be objectionable

because of health, odor, etc., is achieved. It is also possible to recover heat for other municipal buildings in some cases. This possibility has been examined and discarded by the committee for the present. If a public works building were constructed adjacent to an incinerator, however, it would be possible to take advantage of this heat saving. The possibility of high school heating by this method has been re-examined and because of the cost of facilities to do this, the committee feels that the additional investments required would make it unattractive to the Town.

#### 4. Conclusion.

- (a) As a result of studying the above refuse disposal methods, we conclude particularly because of the garbage problem, that incineration is the most desirable method for the Town of Natick.

#### B. Location and Cost Study for an Incinerator.

1. Estimated population of 30,000 people by 1960. Estimated population of 40,000 people by 1975.
2. Refuse (includes rubbish and garbage). National averages would indicate a figure from two to three pounds of total refuse per capita per day. The committee has taken a figure of three pounds per capita per day of which .75 pounds is garbage and 2.25 pounds rubbish. This figure is based also on the fact that industrial waste in Natick will be increasing with the addition of more industrial concerns in the next few years.
3. Cost of Incinerator (estimates based on recent similar installations).

200 Ton Incinerator	\$160,000
Crane	40,000
150' Chimney	55,000
Heating System	12,000
Electrical System	22,500
Building	130,000
Land	50,000
Contingencies	47,000
Engineering	50,000

Total	<u>\$566,500</u>
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4. Operating costs. National averages indicate an operating cost of approximately \$1.50 to \$3.00 per ton. An examination of incinerators operating in our area indicate that \$2.00 per ton is a reasonable operating cost locally.  
250 operating days  $\times$  45 tons (3 lbs.  $\times$  30,000 people) = 11,250 tons per year in 1960.  
11,250 tons  $\times$  \$2.00 per ton = \$22,500 per year in 1960.  
250 operating days  $\times$  60 tons (3 lbs.  $\times$  40,000 people) = 15,000 tons per year in 1975.  
15,000 tons  $\times$  \$2.50 per ton (allowance for increased costs) = \$37,500 per year in 1975.

5. Location. After a study of all areas available and considering the present population center as well as the Town areas which remain to be developed, it is recommended that the Town purchase the present dump area behind Memorial Field. The low swamp land in this area could be reclaimed with the non-combustible fill obtained from the incinerator which would eventually provide the Town with valuable reclaimed land. The entire Town was studied in the consideration of other areas and the Sunkaway swamp area north of Route 9 is felt to be a reasonable second choice of location. Sunkaway reclamation would provide a valuable land property to the Town. Because of trucking distance and extreme traffic conditions in the Route 9 area, it is felt that the present dump location is more desirable. All other available sites in the Town were examined and eliminated for the reason that in most cases more valuable industrial or residential growth was indicated.

C. References on which this study was based.

1. Study of Framingham's Incinerator.

The design, construction, and operation of Framingham's new incinerator was discussed with Mr. William G. Paxton, Framingham's Director of Public Works. The incinerator was examined by a member of the committee.

The present incinerator has 200 ton capacity and was built to replace a 60 ton incinerator built several years ago. The new incinerator is of the travelling grate type with two furnaces of 100 tons capacity each per 24 hours. The furnaces are unique in that they have water-cooled walls rather than the conventional refractory linings. This was made possible by the location of a pond near the incinerator. Design of the incinerator is based on a present population of 32,000 and a population of 42,000 in 1975. Rubbish collections now amount to about 32 tons per day, or 2 pounds per capita; the peak day collection is about 42 tons. Garbage is not accepted for incineration at this time, although ultimately garbage will be burned when some of the technical problems now present are eliminated. With allowance for future growth and for an increased per capita production of refuse, design was fixed at 66 tons per 8-hour operating day.

At the present time only one of the two furnaces is in use because a main to supply sufficient cooling water for both furnaces has not been completed. Operating costs, therefore, are higher than originally estimated.

2. Refuse Collection and Disposal for the Small Community.

This is a 39-page publication of a joint study and report of the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare (Public Health Service) and the American Public Works Association. The report was published in 1953. Only two acceptable means of refuse disposal are recognized: sanitary landfill and incineration; open dumps are not considered suitable for refuse disposal.

3. Dumping and Landfill.



Report of a subcommittee of the committee on refuse collection and disposal of the Sanitary Engineering Division of the American Society of Civil Engineers' Report was published August, 1954, Separate No. 474 taken from Volume 80 of the Proceedings of ASCE.

4. Refuse Disposal Methods.  
Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Division of Sanitary Engineering, February, 1954.
5. Questions and Answers about Sanitary Landfills.  
Prepared by Caterpillar Tractor Co., Peoria, Illinois, U.S.A., 1953.
6. Study of Wellesley's Disposal Methods.  
A committee member has visited the Wellesley landfill disposal site and discussed future disposal plans with various Town officials.
7. Preliminary Report — Cotton, Pierce, Streander, Associated Engineering Consultants, Hyde Park, Mass., March, 1953.  
Report covering the design and cost estimates for the new high school heating plant and incinerator.
8. Refuse Collection and Disposal in Town of Natick.  
1946. A joint study by the Board of Health and Messrs. Henri Prunaret, W. H. Churchill, and Norman Thomas.

ROGER D. WILLIAMS, *Chairman*

ROGER H. DOGGETT

JOHN W. YOUNG

## CENTRAL PURCHASING EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE

THE COMMITTEE ORIGINALLY APPOINTED AND ORGANIZED AS THE Central Purchasing Equipment Committee to carry out the purchasing of new equipment for the designated departments was continued under Article 19 of the Annual Town Meeting of March 27, 1956.

Appropriation .....	\$55,178.00
Purchases .....	51,734.81
Balance returned .....	\$ 3,443.19

All purchases were bid and publicly opened and read. The Committee held fifteen meetings and did much leg work to assure the Town it received satisfactory and durable equipment. All designated purchases were effected.

RICHARD H. POTTER, *Chairman*

RICHARD E. GOULD, *Secretary*

CHARLES W. WHITAKER

JOHN E. GILLELAND

RALPH I. LARSON

\*WALTER F. BURDICK

\*RESIGNED

## ASSESSMENT REVALUATION COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED UNDER ARTICLE 47 OF THE WARRANT for the Annual March Meeting for 1955.

The purpose of this Committee is to work with the Assessors in the matter of employing a qualified firm to appraise all taxable real estate in the Town.

This work is now being done by Cole Laver Trumbell Co., Cleveland, Ohio.

We have not had a meeting of this Committee as we are awaiting the report of Cole Laver Trumbell Co., and will then work with the Assessors to complete that for which we were appointed.

This Committee desires to be continued because there hasn't been sufficient time to complete the work.

L. E. WHIPPLE, *Temporary Chairman*  
WILLIAM G. MARTIN, JR.

WALTER C. WARD  
HENRY R. FLANDERS

## BACON FREE LIBRARY MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED UNDER ARTICLE 46 OF THE THIRD SESSION OF the Annual Town Meeting of March 23, 1955, for the maintenance of the Bacon Free Library is pleased to report that a new roof has been put on the east wing of the Library. Much more interest has been shown in the Library and the Trustees hope in the near future to keep the Library open every weekday afternoon as well as Monday and Wednesday evenings.

The Committee requests the acceptance of this report of progress and asks to be continued.

ARNOLD W. HUNNEWELL, *Chairman*  
EDWARD A. BALDWIN

MARION PFEIFFER, *Secretary*  
CHARLES H. PFEIFFER

W. FRANK CALLAHAN

## SPEEN STREET COMMITTEE

THE SPEEN STREET COMMITTEE WAS APPOINTED BY A SUBSTITUTE MOTION under Article 32 of the Warrant of the Annual Town Meeting of March 1956.

The Committee has been unable to complete the study of the widening of Speen Street, as the East-West Toll Road has not been finished. Therefore the Committee asks that it be continued.

EDA M. DRUGG, *Chairman*

MYRON DOUGLAS  
JERRY TORTI

JOHN F. KELLEY  
WM. L. LARKIN, JR.

## WEST NATICK FIRE STATION BUILDING COMMITTEE

WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SEVERAL MINOR DETAILS, COMPLETION OF THE new West Natick Fire Station was accomplished early in the summer of 1956. One engine and personnel to man it were moved into the building immediately to afford the greatest possible utilization.

Finishing touches were completed during the next few weeks, and the building was finally opened for public inspection on the week-end of August 11th. Cost of the building and furnishings was within the \$58,000 appropriation.

In planning the structure, consideration was given to the future growth of the West Natick area, from both a residential and an industrial standpoint. Consequently, as well as being suited architecturally to its residential surroundings, and modern in every detail, the building will provide adequate fire protection to that section of the Town for many years to come.

The new station contains ample garaging facilities for two pumping engines and one ladder truck, suitable living quarters for firefighter personnel, in addition to an office, a large recreation room and quarters for one officer. Provision has been made for expansion to the second floor of the building if necessary in future years.

At year's end, two pieces of apparatus and adequate personnel were being housed in the station.

Its duties accomplished, the Committee requests that it be discharged.

ARTHUR L. ELDRIDGE, *Chairman*

FREDERICK L. CHAMBERLAIN

BERNARD T. GATELY

## TOWN MANAGER STUDY COMMITTEE

THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED UNDER ARTICLE 22, SECTION G, ITEM 5 OF the Warrant for the Annual March Meeting of 1956, "To study the possible application of the Town Management form of government to the Town of Natick," respectfully submits the following report:

The selectman-manager plan has much to recommend it from the standpoint of economical, efficient, and democratic administration of our traditional form of government. This fact is clearly established, your Committee finds, in the vast amount of information, gathered from 1952 to 1956 inclusive, by those appointed to study this method of government.

Your Committee has reviewed the accomplishments and recommendations of previous town manager committees, interviewed a number of town boards and committees, studied the application of the plan in other communities, and considered thoroughly the pros and cons of this method of town administration.

As a result of this study, your Committee is unanimously agreed that the selectman-manager form of government would be completely practical

and highly advantageous for the Town of Natick. The Committee's reasons follow:

1. The selectman-manager plan would provide a needed centralization of town administration --- without changing our traditional form of government.
2. It would coordinate and improve our town services without "setting up a dictator" or changing our basic form of representative town meetings.
3. It would eliminate duplication of effort and overlapping of duties of various town offices.
4. It would cut down waste through coordinated central purchasing, better planning, and more effective supervision of town equipment and manpower.
5. It would increase security and benefits of town employees and raise the standard of public employment.
6. It would further the effectiveness of long range planning.
7. It would strengthen town meeting participation and broaden citizen interest in town affairs.
8. It would stabilize the town's capital expenditures providing a steady, reasonable tax rate.
9. It would attract business and industry to establish in Natick.
10. It would give Natick more efficient, low cost local government.

For the above reasons, your Committee asks that it be increased to seven members, that it be empowered to draft a bill providing for a selectman-manager form of government for the Town of Natick, and that proper funds be allocated for its use.

GEORGE C. ALLEN, *Temporary Chairman*  
DOROTHY B. READ

ELIZABETH B. COOLIDGE  
DOUGLAS L. RUSSELL

## TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

THE COMMITTEE FINDS THE FOREST IN GOOD CONDITION AS FAR AS FOLIAGE is concerned, but would recommend an appropriation in the near future to clean up slash, etc.

The Quartermaster Lab of the Government has established a weather station at the high point in the forest which is visited twice daily by their personnel.

The East Natick Men's Club and our Recreation Department have plans to improve the facilities of the playground for the young and old.

P. ARTHUR WHALEN, *Secretary*



## COMMITTEE TO STUDY WAR MEMORIALS

THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR TO STUDY DIFFERENT TYPES of War Memorials have, after numerous meetings, decided on a memorial and have three sketches with some variation which we feel will be satisfactory to the town. It is the intention of the committee to show these sketches to all Veteran Posts and other civic groups.

We have submitted an article for the regular Town Meeting, and if passed, we will start work on checking on all the names, which will take some time.

WILLIAM F. WELLS, *Chairman*

LEONARD G. DYE  
KINSON L. MARTIN

RAYMOND J. ALLEN  
AMÉRIGO S. ZINGARELLI

## WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE COMMITTEE

THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH Article 21 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of March 22, 1955 respectfully reports that continued investigation reflects an apparent need for some extension of Workmen's Compensation Insurance to cover additional town employees although this committee is not presently prepared to make any definite recommendation with respect thereto.

It is also apparent to this committee that further extended study is needed to reach any conclusion regarding the question of the Town being a self insurer. The Committee requests the acceptance of this report.

FLETCHER A. HATCH, *Chairman*

EARL B. WEBB

ROBERT F. WHITE

## COLE SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

THE COMMITTEE WISHES TO REPORT THE COMPLETION OF THE COLE School and acceptance of the building from the Contractor on December first, 1956.

The school is now occupied, and is proving most satisfactory in every way. Final payment of bills has not been completed, but the Committee wishes to report that all obligations will be met to provide one of the most complete school plants in the Town within the appropriations allotted.

The Committee requests acceptance of this report and asks to be continued.

FLETCHER A. HATCH, *Chairman*

WILLIAM G. MARTIN, JR., *Vice-Chairman*  
MILDRED G. PRUNARET, *Secretary*

ARTHUR G. ATKINSON  
KENNETH J. CUMMING

## RECORD STORAGE VAULT COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED UNDER ARTICLE 48 OF THE WARRANT for the Annual Town Meeting of March 22, 1955, relative to the construction of a fireproof record storage vault.

In connection with this operation, Mr. Fleming wrote twenty-three Town departments offering them helpful instructions how to proceed and after the various Town Departments made request to the Secretary of State for information to advise them in this important case, we hereby submit the reply:

Jan. 15, 1957

James H. Fleming  
Town Clerk  
Natick, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Fleming:

This office has received identical letters from several departments of the Town of Natick requesting information as to just what records should be stored in the new vault. In reply thereto you are advised that there are no particular standards as to what a vault must contain. It is a matter of personal choice. Obviously records of permanent value should be preserved in the vault. However, experience has proven that the location of the vault sometimes is the determining factor in deciding just what should be placed therein.

It is suggested that the various departments interested should place only those records to which reference is not often made, if possible.

Very truly yours,

EDWARD J. CRONIN  
*Secretary of the Commonwealth*  
By JAMES F. KANE  
*Supervisor of Public Records*

It is the desire of this Committee to request from the Secretary of State, what town records of permanent value may be placed on Microfilm, due to the fact that this committee does not wish to recommend a Town Storage Vault that might or could become inadequate for storage space within a few years.

Due to the change in personnel in the Public Works Department the completion of plans and specifications for the Town Vault have been delayed.

Owing to the numerous details and valuable information to be acquired in connection with this most important undertaking, the Committee requests the acceptance of this report of progress and asks to be continued.

CHESTER E. JOHNSON, *Chairman*  
RICHARD E. GOULD

JAMES H. FLEMING

## LINCOLN SCHOOL AND LILJA SCHOOL ADDITIONS COMMITTEE

THE COMMITTEE WAS APPOINTED UNDER ARTICLES 47 AND 49 OF THE Annual Town Meeting, March 20, 1956.

The Committee has selected an architect for the purpose of preparing working plans and specifications to provide eight additional classrooms and associated facilities at the two school sites. Plans and specifications have been approved, and the Committee has advertised for bids for construction of these additions.

Bids will be received on January 31, 1957, and the Committee expects to present the results of bidding for consideration at a Special Town Meeting, February 12, 1957.

In the belief that favorable consideration will be given these additions and monies appropriated for construction thereof, the Committee requests acceptance of this report and asks to be continued.

FLETCHER A. HATCH, *Chairman*

WILLIAM G. MARTIN, JR., *Vice-Chairman*

MILDRED G. PRUNARET, *Secretary*

ARTHUR A. ATKINSON

KENNETH J. CUMMING

## TOWN COLLECTOR STUDY COMMITTEE

THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED UNDER ARTICLE 22 OF THE ANNUAL TOWN Meeting of March 27, 1956 to study collections by a Town Collector respectfully submits the following report.

The Committee has studied the advisability of having all accounts due the Town collected by the Collector of Taxes under the title of Town Collector and the matters pertaining to the operation of such a plan as would serve to benefit the needs of the Town.

During our State audit this past spring, this Committee met with the State auditors for guidance on the feasibility of this plan for the Town, as well as contacting officials of various Towns which have this plan in operation.

The Committee recommends the collection of Town accounts by a Town Collector for the following reasons:

1. Because of the many bills being submitted for collection, accounts receivables are growing in number.

2. There would be one official collection agency of the Town, instead of several agencies, therefore it would relieve the responsibility and increase the productive time in the offices of the various Town departments.

3. The proper responsibility of collections and of the commitments of all receipts payable to the Town would bring about the following:









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a. delinquent billing would be practically eliminated and duplicate invoices would be submitted with the commitment sheets.

b. there would be greater efficiency in the collections of all accounts due the Town, as all monies collected by the Town Collector would be deposited with the Town Treasurer weekly or oftener and therefore the borrowing of a lesser amount on temporary loans is anticipated.

4. There would be a complete internal control of all monies due the Town, thus permitting complete information at all times on any and all accounts receivables due the Town.

In pursuance of the above conclusions and recommendations this Committee has inserted an article in the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting to permit the collections of Town accounts in the manner described in this report.

Believing that the purpose for which this Committee was appointed has been accomplished, your Committee requests that it be discharged.

RICHARD H. POTTER, *Chairman*

CHESTER E. JOHNSON

RICHARD E. GOULD

## *Accounting Department*

### REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 61, CHAPTER 41, GENERAL LAWS, I SUBMIT herewith the annual report of the Accounting Department for the year ended December 31, 1956.

All invoices and payrolls presented during the year by the Town Departments have been examined both for their accuracy and legal requirements before being submitted to Treasurer for payment. The payments, which were presented on 1,349 Treasury Warrants, amounted to \$6,086,570.21 for which the Treasury Department issued 44,028 checks.

The Treasurer's cash has been audited and found to be in order. The total receipts during 1956 totaled \$5,833,513.83. The cash balance on hand December 31, 1956 is \$875,966.12 and is a decrease of approximately \$253,000.00 from the balance on hand at the end of 1955.

Monthly notice of appropriation condition was forwarded on State approved forms, to all Town officers, committees, and boards charged with the expenditure of Town funds. At the time of this report no bills remaining unpaid for 1956 have been submitted to the Town Accountant.

Upon the close of the financial year, statements were compiled in tabulated form showing the amounts appropriated throughout the year and the amounts expended from each appropriation for the year 1956 and the estimates for the year 1957; and copies were forwarded to the Finance Committee.



Again this year and for the 16th consecutive year the departments, collectively, have turned back substantial unexpended appropriation balances, from their operating budgets. The unexpended appropriation balances, exclusive of Sewer and Water, returned to 1956 Revenue Account amounted to \$117,667.87.

As required by law, under Section 54-A, Chapter 41, General Laws, notice was given to the Assessors of the total 1956 receipts except from taxes, loans, trust funds, federal grants and revolving funds, and the source of such receipts was specified. The actual collection in this group of receipts was \$44,299.47 higher than the estimate used by the Assessors in determining the 1956 tax rate. This excess was due primarily to a large distribution of State Income Tax, an increase in our School Aid Construction under Chapter 645, Acts of 1948 and other miscellaneous receipts.

The following recommendations are made: a) That 1957 authorized borrowing should not be in excess of our 1957 debt payments of \$463,250.00, so that we may keep our debt from rising. b) That all copies of contracts be filed with the Town Accountant within ten days of signature. c) That all departments submit all bills promptly for payment. d) That a committee be appointed to study all Town charges for licenses, fees, permits, etc. and such other municipal services for which charges are made. e) That careful study be given to large capital outlays, particularly as to their effect on future operating costs, by having a joint meeting of the Selectmen, Finance Committee, and all departments normally sponsoring capital outlay articles, to be held each year in October in order that a town wide capital outlay program could be prepared and submitted to the town meetings with a program for financing without borrowing in excess of \$200,000.00 during each of the next four years, as this would reduce our outstanding debt to less than five million dollars by 1960.

Appended to this report are the following schedules:

- a) Cash Receipts
- b) Summary of Appropriations and Expenditures
- c) Balance Sheet showing the financial Condition of the Town
- d) Deferred Revenue Not Due
- e) Net Funded or Fixed Debt
- f) Trust Funds — Cash and Securities
- g) Debt Statement showing amounts due for Principal and Interest for 1957
- h) Analysis of Revenue and other Accounts.

RICHARD E. GOULD, *Town Accountant*

## 1956 CASH ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1956 .....		\$1,129,022.50
1956 Cash Receipts:		
January .....	\$ 184,488.84	
February .....	158,719.34	
March .....	83,130.82	
April .....	390,405.16	
May .....	244,714.18	
June .....	489,818.74	
July .....	698,248.22	
August .....	287,102.65	
September .....	616,451.39	
October .....	1,408,838.63	
November .....	1,010,661.01	
December .....	260,934.85	5,833,513.83
Total Cash 1956 .....		\$6,962,536.33
Less 1956 Cash Disbursements:		
January .....	\$ 292,932.34	
February .....	408,435.33	
March .....	312,973.14	
April .....	418,437.98	
May .....	450,414.54	
June .....	537,225.06	
July .....	558,669.15	
August .....	370,765.38	
September .....	389,867.23	
October .....	1,444,486.82	
November .....	405,436.64	
December .....	496,926.60	6,086,570.21
Balance December 31, 1956 .....		<u>\$ 875,966.12</u>

## R E C E I P T S

— 1956 —

### TAXES

#### Current Year:

Poll .....	\$ 12,816.00	
Personal Property .....	178,753.25	
Real Estate .....	2,381,550.29	
Loss of Taxes — State .....	1,464.16	
Loss of Taxes — Framingham .....	352.63	
Natick Housing Authority .....	1,872.00	
		\$2,576,808.33

#### Previous Years:

Poll .....	\$ 82.00	
Personal Property .....	513.50	
Real Estate .....	44,447.69	
Tax Title Redemptions .....	5,372.62	
Loss of Taxes — State .....	92.74	
		50,508.55



From the State:

Corporation Tax .....	\$ 96,499.62	
Income Tax — State Valuation .....	55,461.11	
Income Tax — Chapter 70 Schools ....	221,940.41	
Meal Tax — O.A.A. ....	6,423.34	
		380,324.48
		\$3,007,641.36

#### LICENSES AND PERMITS

Retail Package Liquor Store .....	\$ 8,000.00	
Other Licenses — Selectmen .....	1,493.00	
Health Licenses .....	523.50	
Licenses and Permits — Police .....	137.75	
Bicycle Registrations — Police .....	50.00	
Gasoline Renewals — Town Clerk .....	1,265.00	
Building Department — Permit Fees .....	5,140.32	
		\$ 16,609.57

#### FINES AND FORFEITS

District Court of Natick .....	\$ 2,396.20
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#### GRANTS AND GIFTS

From the Federal Government:

Disability Assistance — Administration \$	229.73	
Disability Assistance — Assistance .....	6,588.42	
Aid to Dependent Children — Adm. ..	1,082.10	
Aid to Dependent Children — Aid ....	20,244.33	
Old Age Assistance — Administration	12,692.52	
Old Age Assistance — Assistance .....	103,406.20	
School Aid — Public Law 874 .....	22,283.31	
School Lunch — Food Subsidy .....	31,552.77	
		\$ 198,079.38

From Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Chapter 90 Maintenance 1955 .....	\$ 1,000.00	
Chapter 90 Highway Construction:		
Speen Street Bridge .....	35,366.39	
South Main Street .....	7,048.05	
Tuition of State Wards .....	2,903.06	
Transportation .....	12,432.07	
Vocational Education .....	2,840.76	
Youth Service Board .....	123.00	
English Speaking Classes .....	10.20	
School Construction Aid:		
Senior High—'55-'56 .... \$	172,076.48	
Johnson .....	8,460.91	
Brown .....	6,054.85	
Lilja .....	6,018.49	
Brown Addition .....	4,327.85	
Bennett-Hemenway .....	6,950.75	
Bennett-Hemenway		
Addition .....	8,535.33	
Cole .....	24,329.52	236,754.18

Welfare—Support of Indigent Persons	1,583.00
Welfare—Temporary Aid and Transportation .....	6,965.08
Welfare—Disability Assistance — Administration .....	226.84
Welfare—Disability Assistance—Assistance .....	5,287.28
Welfare—Aid to Dependent Children	11,380.56
Welfare—Old Age Assistance .....	121,279.94
Hurricane—"Carol" .....	143.82
Hurricane—"Edna" .....	13,290.46
Flood Relief Board .....	11,158.93
Metropolitan Water System Maintenance .....	257.86
Health Subsidy .....	268.57
Veterans' Benefits .....	9,514.60

479,834.65

From County of Middlesex:

Dog Licenses — 1955 .....	3,242.65
Chapter 90 Maintenance 1955 .....	1,000.00
Chapter 90 Highway Construction:	
Speen Street Bridge .....	9,054.91
South Main Street .....	3,524.03
Dog Damage — Care and Killing .....	279.50

17,101.09

From Cities and Towns:

Welfare— Temporary Aid .....	7,568.76
Welfare — Old Age Assistance .....	4,618.11
Board of Health .....	1,022.25
Veterans' Benefits .....	29.60

13,238.72

708,253.84

SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

Sewer Assessments:

Unapportioned .....	4,023.00
Unapportioned — House Connections	883.64
Added to 1955 Taxes .....	131.05
Added to 1956 Taxes .....	16,024.61
Paid in Advance .....	18,306.65

39,368.95

Street Assessments:

Unapportioned .....	3,227.22
Added to 1955 Taxes .....	290.12
Added to 1956 Taxes .....	6,845.73
Paid in Advance .....	3,730.41

14,093.48

Sidewalk Assessments:

Unapportioned .....	725.70
Added to 1955 Taxes .....	23.26
Added to 1956 Taxes .....	1,308.37
Paid in Advance .....	987.39

3,044.72

56,507.15

PRIVILEGES

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:

Current Year .....	258,662.74
Prior Years .....	39,265.37

297,928.11

Parking Meter Fees ..... 15,872.65

313,800.76

DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE

Selectmen — Rent of Court Quarters 1955-1956 .....	10,400.00
Selectmen — Other Rentals .....	1.00
Selectmen — Land Takings — Toll Road Authority .....	11,500.00
Treasurer — Tax Title Costs .....	79.65
Tax Collector — Fees and Costs .....	1,969.85
Police — Sherborn Radio Charge .....	200.00
Police — Wayland Radio Charge .....	2,000.00
Fire — Relocation of Cable .....	546.40
Fire — Insurance Claim .....	65.50
Sealer of Weights and Measures — Fees .....	466.40
Health — Individuals .....	385.50
Health — Rabies Fees .....	526.74
Health — Dental Clinic Fees .....	1,687.00
Sewer Rentals .....	89,756.94
Sewer House Connections .....	4,223.03
Sewer — Sale of Materials .....	348.55
Sale of Garbage .....	4,744.53
Highways — Sale of Materials .....	439.00
Highways — Repairs to Private Ways .....	857.50
Highways — Road Machinery Rentals .....	20,890.73
Welfare — T. A. Recoveries .....	49.30
Welfare — A.D.C. Recoveries .....	302.00
Welfare — O.A.A. Recoveries .....	8,452.62
Schools — Rental of Halls .....	4,332.58
Schools — Tuition .....	566.78
Schools — Sale of Miscellaneous Supplies .....	262.38
Schools — Insurance Claims .....	412.79
Recreation — Beach Concession .....	200.00
Telephone Pay Station Commissions .....	148.56
Blue Cross Dividend .....	400.00
Sale of Tax Possessions .....	893.42

167,108.75

WATER DEPARTMENT

Meter Rates .....	170,748.22
Labor and Supplies .....	19,420.53
Sale of Materials .....	1,062.10
Summonses .....	558.00

191,788.85

# INTEREST

Real, Personal, Poll Taxes .....	1,697.88
Tax Titles .....	679.46
Motor Vehicle Excise .....	130.81
Special Assessments .....	7,945.03
Charity Funds .....	1,039.49
Cemetery Funds .....	363.72
Wilson Statute Fund .....	41.46

11,897.85

# MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

## Temporary Loans:

Anticipation Tax Revenue .....	900,000.00
Anticipation Highway Reimbursement .....	80,765.00

980,765.00

## General Purpose Loans:

Police Courthouse Addition .....	20,000.00
W. N. Fire Station .....	45,000.00
Cole School .....	100,000.00

165,000.00

1,145,765.00

# AGENCY AND REVOLVING FUNDS

Dog Licenses for County (Town Clerk) .....	3,897.60
Guarantee Bid Deposits (Liquor Licenses) .....	39,000.00
Advances — Out of State Travel .....	350.00
School Athletics .....	11,542.55
School Lunch .....	83,787.90
Sale of Land of Low Value in Excess of Tax Title Values .....	1,647.11

140,225.16

# REFUNDS AND TRANSFERS

## Refunds:

General — Credit Various Appropriations .....	4,009.49
Credited to Revolving Funds .....	67,041.06
Credited to Land Damage Reserve .....	1.00
Credited to Estimated Receipts .....	1.42
Credited to E&D Account .....	189.80
Tailings (unclaimed checks) .....	233.37
Accrued Interest on Temporary Loans .....	43.20

71,519.34

Total Receipts for 1956 .....	\$5,833,513.83
Cash on Hand January 1, 1956 .....	1,129,022.50
Grand Total for 1956 .....	\$6,962,536.33



# RECAPITULATION OF EXPENDITURES — 1956

	Jan. 1, 1956 Balance	Appropriations	Loans Transfers and Other Receipts	Totals	Expended on Selectmen's Warrants	Debit Trans- fers & Other Charges	Unexpended Balances Closed to Revenue	Balances Forward and Overdrafts
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>								
Finance Committee — Personal Services .....		\$ 655.00		\$ 655.00	\$ 632.88		\$ 22.12	
Finance Committee — Expense .....		350.00		350.00	98.78		251.22	
Personnel Board — Personal Services .....		275.00		275.00	8.00		167.00	
Personnel Board — Expense .....		4,439.00		4,439.00	95.33		179.67	
Board of Selectmen — Personal Services .....		1,352.00	386.00	4,439.00	4,231.65		207.35	
Board of Selectmen — Expense .....		9,150.00		9,150.00	1,676.05		61.95	
Town Accountant — Personal Services .....		895.00	200.00	1,095.00	8,653.47		496.53	
Town Accountant — Expense .....		9,445.00	60.00	9,505.00	984.72		110.28	
Town Treasurer — Out of State Travel .....		4,135.00	397.43	4,532.43	57.15		2.85	
Town Treasurer — Personal Services .....		250.00	60.00	310.00	8,927.00		518.00	
Town Treasurer — Expense .....		11,100.00		11,100.00	3,276.61		1,255.82	
Certification of Notes .....		4,058.00		4,058.00	70.00		2.95	
Tax Collector — Personal Services .....		22,215.00	40.00	22,255.00	10,986.74		187.00	
Board of Assessors — Personal Services .....		2,860.00	11.81	2,871.81	3,866.79		193.26	
Board of Assessors — Expense .....		2,700.00		2,700.00	22,242.93		12.07	
Town Counsel — Personal Services .....		400.00	400.00	800.00	2,871.55		26	
Town Clerk — Personal Services .....		8,350.00		8,350.00	2,675.00		25.00	
Town Clerk — Expense .....		1,360.00	15.00	1,375.00	633.49		126.51	
Election & Registration — Personal Services .....		18,856.00		18,856.00	7,725.69		624.31	
Election & Registration — Expense .....		7,725.00	550.00	8,275.00	1,296.83		8.17	
P.W.D. Admin. — Personal Services .....		28,806.68		28,806.68	16,086.00		2,770.00	
P.W.D. Administration — Expense .....		9,105.00		9,105.00	8,265.32		7,313.13	
Buildings & Alterations .....		4,700.00		4,700.00	21,491.53		107.48	
P.W.D. Admin. — Out of State Travel .....		450.00		450.00	8,997.52			
P.W.D. Engineering — Personal Services .....		18,427.50		18,427.50	4,700.00		439.50	
P.W.D. Engineering — Expense .....		660.00		660.00	10.50		4,428.16	
P.W.D. Equip. Maint. — Personal Services .....		21,252.05		21,252.05	13,999.34		25.35	
P.W.D. Equipment Maintenance — Expense .....		29,200.00	44.40	29,244.40	634.65		322.36	
Planning Board — Expense .....		620.00		620.00	20,929.69		57.85	
Rent of Town Offices .....		11,742.00		11,742.00	29,186.57		480.49	
Town Office Building Maintenance .....		2,132.00		2,132.00	139.51			
Town Manager Study Committee .....		\$ 173.90		\$ 173.90	11,742.00		1.78	
State Census of 1955 .....		57.73		57.73	2,130.22			
Natick Industrial Council — Out of State Expense .....		500.00		500.00				\$ 500.00
Natick Industrial Council — Local Expense .....		2,821.98		2,821.98	87.72			7,734.26
Clark's Block Sidewalk Repairs Committee .....		50.00		50.00	30.00			
Prepare New Map System of Town .....		14,077.20		14,077.20	12,340.00			1,737.20
Real Estate Appraisal .....		15,000.00		15,000.00	20,400.00			15,100.00
Medical Expenses of John Daley .....					805.97			194.03
Plans and Specifications for Fireproof Stor- age Vault .....								1,000.00

# RECAPITULATION OF EXPENDITURES — 1956

	Jan. 1, 1956 Balance	Appropriations	Loans Transfers and Other Receipts	Totals	Expended on Settlement's Warrants	Debit Trans- fers & Other Charges	Unexpended Balances Closed to Revenue	Balances Forward and Overdrafts
Purchase New Equipment		\$ 55,178.00	4.40	\$ 55,182.40	\$ 51,739.21		\$ 3,443.19	
Total for GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 32,680.81	\$ 320,518.23	\$ 2,169.04	\$ 355,368.08	\$ 304,773.55	\$ 261.63	\$ 24,067.40	\$ 26,265.49
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY								
Police Department — Personal Services		\$ 158,081.58	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 160,081.58	\$ 159,449.82			
Police Department — Expense		15,275.00	543.82	15,818.82	15,644.60		631.76	
Police Department — Clothing Allowance		2,025.00		2,025.00	2,003.56		174.22	
Police Department — Out of State Travel		300.00		300.00	264.75		21.44	
Police Department — Court Quarters Expense		3,200.00		3,200.00	3,199.65		35.25	
Install Police Signal System		2,500.00	238.50	2,738.50	2,737.52		.35	98
Police Courthouse Building Addition					42,521.93			7,757.67
Fire Department — Personal Services	\$ 30,275.10	218,501.57	20,004.50	50,279.60	228,701.85		449.72	
Fire Department — Expense	10,650.00	14,300.00	608.25	29,151.57	14,907.86		.39	
Fire Department — Clothing Allowance		1,325.00		1,325.00	1,325.00			
Fire Department — Out of State Travel		150.00		150.00	150.00			
Fire Department — Extend Fire Alarm System		3,500.00		3,500.00	3,500.00			
Fire Department — Replacement 2 1/2" Fire Hose		1,800.00		1,800.00	1,773.80		26.20	
Fire Department — Fence and Hot Top		2,200.00		2,200.00	1,052.28		1,147.72	293.03
Speen St. Station Area			45,971.94	55,931.04	55,638.01			
West Natick Fire Station Building	9,959.10	300.00		300.00	300.00			
Militia — Rifle Ranges		11,450.00		11,450.00	9,874.53		1,575.47	
Building Department — Personal Services		935.00		935.00	831.71		103.29	
Building Department — Expense								
Scaler of Weights & Measures — Personal Services		3,100.00		3,100.00	3,094.26		5.74	
Scaler of Weights & Measures — Expense		490.00		490.00	489.48		.52	
Moth Department — Personal Services		4,943.00		4,943.00	4,942.95		.05	
Moth Department — Expense		1,225.00		1,225.00	1,225.00			
Dutch Elm Disease Control		9,332.00	1,200.00	10,532.00	10,466.78		65.22	
Tree Department — Personal Services		9,900.00		9,900.00	9,827.95		72.05	
Tree Department — Expense		4,030.00		4,030.00	4,030.00			
Town Forest Improvement		420.00		437.55	332.24		105.31	
Dog Officer — Personal Services	17.55	925.00	250.00	1,175.00	1,042.00		133.00	
Dog Officer — Expense		225.00	400.00	625.00	533.15		91.85	
Civil Defense — Local Expense		800.00	65.50	865.50	842.72		22.78	
Civil Defense — Out of State Travel		200.00		200.00			200.00	
Civil Defense — Auxiliary Fire		750.00		750.00	749.30		.70	
Civil Defense — Auxiliary Police		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00		30.50	
Civil Defense — Communications		300.00	142.50	442.50	412.00		28.46	
Civil Defense — Medical		150.00		150.00	121.54			
Hurricane "Carol"			143.82					
Hurricane "Edna"			230.42					
Total for PROTECTION OF PERSONS	\$ 50,527.51	\$ 473,633.15	\$ 71,799.25	\$ 595,959.91	\$ 582,983.79		\$ 4,819.13	\$ 8,156.99
AND PROPERTY								

# HEALTH AND SANITATION

Health Department — Personal Services .....	\$ 19,240.00	\$ 19,240.00	\$ 18,638.50	\$ 581.50	.....
Health Department — Expense .....	10,047.50	19,047.50	13,762.72	5,284.78	.....
Health Department — Dental Clinic .....	7,684.00	7,684.00	7,176.44	507.56	.....
Health Department — Mosquito Control .....	11,149.00	11,294.86	8,790.28	2,504.58	.....
P.W.D. Sanitation — Personal Services .....	61,806.93	61,806.93	57,838.72	3,968.21	.....
P.W.D. Sanitation — Expense .....	1,100.00	2.80	1,090.20	12.60	.....
P.W.D. Sewer — Personal Services .....	28,395.25	28,395.25	23,587.77	4,807.48	.....
P.W.D. Sewer — Expense .....	18,950.00	18,950.00	18,163.65	786.35	.....
P.W.D. Sewer — Building Alterations and Repairs .....	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,960.26	39.74	.....
Sewer Pump Station Force Mains and Mains — 1954 .....	\$ 19,329.74	19,329.74	.....	\$ 19,329.74	.....
Allen and School Streets Sewer — 1955 .....	1,870.60	1,870.60	.....	.....	.....
Connect Sewer System to Met. Sewer System — 1954 .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wellesley at Natick Sewer — 1954 .....	52,061.80	52,061.80	528.52	51,533.28	.....
Sewer Pumping Station Worcester St. — Carlings — 1955 .....	34,284.18	34,284.18	7,577.31	26,706.87	.....
Wellesley at Natick Sewer Service — 1955 .....	29,042.90	29,042.90	25,784.90	3,258.00	.....
Bay State Road Area Sewer — 1955 .....	28,792.26	28,792.26	145.85	28,646.41	.....
Madison Street Sewer Mains — 1956 .....	19,758.30	19,758.30	12,398.28	7,360.02	.....
Marion and Bacon Streets Sewer House Connections — 1956 .....	5,000.00	5,000.00	3,192.12	1,807.88	.....
Total for HEALTH AND SANITATION.....	\$ 185,139.78	\$ 189,372.68	\$ 206,020.02	\$ 18,492.80	\$ 148,277.70

# HIGHWAYS

P.W.D. Highway — Personal Services .....	\$ 93,996.68	\$ 93,996.68	\$ 89,760.70	\$ 4,235.98	.....
P.W.D. Highway — Expense .....	24,600.00	24,838.26	24,582.48	255.78	.....
P.W.D. Highway — Snow Removal .....	20,000.00	64,506.79	76,257.26	\$ *11,750.47	.....
P.W.D. Highway — Widened Street Corners .....	1,500.00	1,500.00	664.45	835.55	.....
P.W.D. Highway — Repairs to Private Ways .....	1,500.00	1,500.00	397.49	102.51	.....
P.W.D. Highway — B. & A. R.R. Bridges, Signs .....	1,500.00	1,500.00	561.28	938.72	.....
P.W.D. Highway — Retaining Walls and Fences .....	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	.....	.....
P.W.D. Highway — Sidewalk Curbing .....	1,000.00	1,000.00	833.12	166.88	.....
P.W.D. Highway — Repairs .....	8,000.00	8,000.00	7,888.12	111.88	.....
P.W.D. Highway — Sidewalk Construction .....	7,000.00	7,000.00	5,344.00	1,656.00	.....
P.W.D. Highway — Chap. 90 Maintenance and Repairs .....	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	.....	.....
Chapter 90 Construction — South Main Street — 1954 .....	1,500.00	10.00	1,510.00	.....	.....
Chapter 90 Construction — Speen Street Bridge — 1953 .....	.....	.....	11,860.07	.....	.....
Cottage, Union, and Bacon Streets — 1951 .....	78,075.23	78,075.23	56,388.50	6,564.81	.....
Marion, Bacon, and Eliot Streets — 1953 .....	3,309.97	3,309.97	3,003.14	21,686.73	.....
Reconstruct and Drain Various Streets — 1954 .....	9,974.38	9,974.38	9,950.25	3,683.44	.....
Street Acceptance and Construction — 1955 .....	8,728.79	29.89	7,346.41	24.13	.....
Various Streets and Drains — 1955 .....	10,816.11	15,000.00	23,890.56	1,412.27	.....
				1,925.55	.....

# RECAPITULATION OF EXPENDITURES — 1956

	Jan. 1, 1956 Balance	Appropriations	Loans Transfers and Other Receipts	Totals	Expended on Selectmen's Warrants	Debit Trans- fers & Other Charges	Unexpended Balances Closed to Revenue	Balances Forward and Overdrafts
Purchase Highway Equipment — 1954 .....	36.65	800.00	.....	36.65	800.00	36.65	.....	.....
Off Street Parking Lot Maintenance .....	.....	19,840.00	.....	800.00	.....	.....	.....	3,213.62
Street Construction — 1956 .....	.....	19,630.00	.....	19,840.00	16,626.38	.....	.....	10,942.73
Streets and Drains — 1956 .....	.....	35,000.00	.....	19,630.00	8,687.27	.....	.....	2,032.09
Fond Street — 1956 .....	.....	7,500.00	.....	35,000.00	32,967.91	.....	.....	2,057.83
Reconstruct Various Streets — 1956 .....	.....	7,500.00	.....	7,500.00	5,442.17	.....	.....	.....
Parking Meter Maintenance .....	.....	5,260.00	14.00	5,274.00	5,196.74	.....	77.26	.....
Street Lighting .....	.....	40,956.00	.....	40,956.00	40,723.78	.....	232.22	.....
Total for HIGHWAYS .....	\$ 136,052.59	\$ 295,082.68	\$ 59,798.94	\$ 490,934.21	\$ 437,182.08	\$ 3,346.62	\$ 8,612.78	\$ 41,792.73
CHARITIES								
Wellfare — Salary of Board .....	.....	330.00	.....	330.00	330.00	.....	.....	.....
Wellfare — Salaries .....	.....	28,960.00	.....	28,960.00	28,959.09	.....	.....	.....
Wellfare — Public Assistance .....	.....	255,000.00	1,471.76	256,471.76	256,471.76	.....	.....	.....
Old Age Assistance — Recoveries .....	.....	.....	385.00	385.00	385.00	.....	.....	.....
D.A. Assistance — Federal Grant .....	755.94	.....	229.73	985.67	5.00	.....	.....	980.67
D.A. Assistance — Federal Grant .....	4,016.71	.....	6,588.42	10,605.13	1,919.70	.....	.....	8,685.43
A.D.C. Administration — Federal Grant .....	6,457.82	.....	1,147.10	7,604.92	5,694.52	.....	.....	1,910.40
A.D.C. Aid — Federal Grant .....	1,757.75	.....	20,814.33	22,602.08	9,904.76	.....	.....	12,697.32
O.A.A. Administration — Federal Grant .....	14,323.86	.....	19,126.32	33,450.18	14,011.07	.....	.....	13,439.11
O.A.A. Assistance — Federal Grant .....	47,325.38	.....	105,866.69	153,192.07	84,628.15	.....	.....	68,563.92
J. B. Walcott Fund — Interest .....	1,551.40	.....	1,006.71	2,558.11	1,247.60	.....	.....	1,310.51
Sally Spaulding Charity Fund — Interest .....	33.59	.....	16.39	49.98	30.00	.....	.....	19.98
Maria Hayes Charity Fund — Interest .....	33.97	.....	16.39	50.36	30.00	.....	.....	20.36
Total for CHARITIES .....	\$ 76,286.42	\$ 284,290.00	\$ 150,668.84	\$ 511,245.26	\$ 403,616.65	.....	.....	\$ 107,627.70
VETERANS' SERVICES								
Personal Services .....	.....	6,550.00	.....	6,550.00	5,559.48	.....	990.52	.....
Expense .....	.....	900.00	.....	900.00	898.26	.....	1.74	.....
Veterans' Benefits .....	.....	22,000.00	.....	22,000.00	21,999.65	.....	.....	.....
Total for VETERANS' SERVICES .....	.....	\$ 29,450.00	.....	\$ 29,450.00	\$ 28,457.39	.....	\$ 992.61	.....
EDUCATION								
School Department — Personal Services .....	.....	\$1,258,933.78	573.72	\$1,259,507.50	\$1,211,677.46	.....	.....	.....
School Department — Expense .....	.....	29,300.00	147.59	29,447.59	28,240.94	.....	1,206.65	.....
School Department — Fuel .....	.....	34,000.00	9,140.00	43,140.00	40,803.79	.....	2,336.21	.....
School Department — Light and Power .....	.....	27,500.00	3,000.00	30,500.00	30,435.31	.....	64.69	.....
School Department — Textbooks and Sup- plies .....	.....	63,000.00	.....	63,000.00	62,978.45	.....	21.55	.....
School Department — Transportation .....	.....	60,000.00	5,700.00	65,700.00	65,661.08	.....	38.92	.....
School Department — Building Repairs and Janitors' Supplies .....	.....	37,500.00	.....	37,500.00	35,857.53	.....	1,642.47	.....
School Department — New Equipment .....	.....	4,400.00	.....	4,400.00	4,347.03	.....	52.97	.....
School Department — Out of State Travel .....	.....	700.00	.....	700.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
School Department — Physical Education .....	.....	10,000.00	2.20	10,002.20	9,990.28	.....	11.92	.....
School Department — School Lunch Equip- ment .....	.....	2,000.00	.....	2,000.00	1,711.33	.....	288.67	.....



School Department — Care of Grounds .....	18,290.00	.....	18,290.00	16,567.51	.....	1,722.49	.....
School Department — Non-School Use of Schools — Expense .....	8,000.00	.....	8,000.00	7,105.50	.....	894.50	.....
School Department — Non-School Use of Schools — Fuel .....	3,000.00	.....	3,000.00	2,867.63	.....	132.37	.....
School Department — Non-School Use of Schools — Light and Power .....	2,000.00	.....	2,000.00	1,694.31	.....	305.69	.....
School Department — Lights—Junior High School .....	3,500.00	.....	3,500.00	3,396.87	.....	103.13	.....
New Senior High School .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13.29
Elementary School Plans .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Non-School Use of School Buildings .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Murphy School .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Purchase Land for School Use .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bennett-Hemenway School Addition .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cole School .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bennett-Hemenway Field Drainage .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lilla School Addition — Preliminary Plans and Specifications .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lincoln School Addition — Preliminary Plans and Specifications .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Land for Public School Building .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
School Lunch — Revolving Fund .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
School Athletics — Revolving Fund .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Federal Aid to Schools — P.L. 874 .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total for EDUCATION .....	\$1,388,124.78	\$ 268,144.29	\$2,024,879.68	\$1,921,441.43	\$ 8.51	\$ 56,806.15	\$ 46,623.59
<b>LIBRARIES</b> .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Morse Institute — Personal Services .....	\$ 43,100.00	.....	\$ 43,100.00	\$ 40,800.61	.....	\$ 2,299.39	.....
Morse Institute — Expense .....	7,975.00	.....	8,975.00	8,973.64	.....	1.36	.....
Morse Institute — Repairs .....	.....	.....	3,309.44	3,309.44	.....	.....	.....
Bacon Free Library Maintenance .....	3,335.00	.....	4,027.13	2,732.41	.....	.....	1,294.72
Total for LIBRARIES .....	\$ 54,410.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 59,411.57	\$ 55,816.10	.....	\$ 2,300.75	\$ 1,294.72
<b>RECREATION</b> .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Park Department — Personal Services .....	\$ 13,559.80	.....	\$ 13,559.80	\$ 13,038.70	.....	\$ 521.10	.....
Park Department — Expense .....	6,290.00	.....	6,290.00	4,864.11	.....	.....	.....
Improve Old Town Park .....	5,000.00	.....	5,000.00	4,129.80	.....	870.20	.....
New Backstop at Whitney Field .....	400.00	.....	400.00	400.00	.....	.....	.....
New Backstop at Coolidge Field .....	275.00	.....	275.00	275.00	.....	.....	.....
Memorial Beach Catch Basins—1954 .....	.....	.....	780.11	780.11	.....	.....	.....
Construct and Repair Baseball Diamonds—1954 .....	.....	.....	768.71	768.71	.....	768.71	.....
Recreation Commission — Personal Services .....	25,490.60	.....	25,490.60	24,040.39	.....	1,450.21	.....
Recreation Commission — Expense .....	2,550.00	.....	2,550.00	2,463.87	.....	86.13	.....
Little League .....	3,000.00	.....	3,000.00	2,892.80	.....	177.20	.....
Beach Improvements and Maintenance .....	4,000.00	.....	4,000.00	3,950.54	.....	49.46	.....
Playground Maintenance .....	2,300.00	.....	2,300.00	2,258.43	.....	41.57	.....
Out of State Travel .....	100.00	.....	100.00	100.00	100.00	.....	.....
Total for RECREATION .....	\$ 62,945.40	\$ 100.00	\$ 64,954.22	\$ 59,142.75	\$ 100.00	\$ 3,712.56	\$ 1,638.91
<b>PENSIONS</b> .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Non-Contributory Pensions .....	\$ 29,349.61	.....	\$ 29,349.61	\$ 27,980.14	.....	\$ 1,369.47	.....
Non-Contributory Annuities .....	2,400.00	.....	2,400.00	2,400.00	.....	.....	.....

# RECAPITULATION OF EXPENDITURES — 1956

	Jan. 1, 1956 Balance	Appropriations	Loans Transfers and Other Receipts	Totals	Expended on Selection's Warrants	Debit Trans- fers & Other Charges	Unexpended Balances Closed to Revenue	Balances Forward and Overdrafts
Contributory Retirement System	.....	42,465.12	.....	42,465.12	42,033.56	.....	431.56	.....
Mass. Teachers' Retirement	.....	750.00	.....	750.00	750.00	.....	.....	.....
Total for PENSIONS	\$	\$ 74,964.73	.....	\$ 74,964.73	\$ 73,163.70	.....	\$ 1,801.03	.....
UNCLASSIFIED								
Memorial and Veterans' Days	.....	1,750.00	.....	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 1,749.97	.....	\$ .03	.....
Care of Veterans Graves	.....	431.00	.....	431.00	313.92	.....	117.08	.....
Care of Borden Lane Cemetery	.....	125.00	.....	125.00	125.00	.....	.....	.....
Town Clocks Maintenance	.....	100.00	.....	100.00	59.48	.....	40.52	.....
Printing Town Reports	.....	3,000.00	.....	3,234.00	3,234.00	.....	.....	.....
Insurance — Town Buildings	.....	9,489.14	234.00	9,489.14	9,009.84	.....	479.30	.....
Insurance — Group Life	.....	4,232.00	.....	4,232.00	3,993.64	.....	238.36	.....
Rental Veterans Headquarters	.....	2,304.00	.....	2,400.00	2,400.00	.....	.....	.....
Settlement of Claims	.....	.....	431.90	431.90	431.90	.....	.....	.....
Court Judgments	.....	.....	10,699.11	2,579.11	5,079.11	39,922.34	77.66	.....
Reserve Fund	\$	40,000.00	.....	40,000.00	.....	.....	248.87	.....
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	.....	18,424.75	.....	18,424.75	18,175.88	.....	248.87	.....
Total for UNCLASSIFIED	\$	\$ 79,855.89	\$ 11,461.01	\$ 83,196.90	\$ 44,572.74	\$ 39,922.34	\$ 1,201.82	\$ 2,500.00
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE								
P.W.D. Water — Personal Services	.....	51,954.30	.....	51,954.30	45,626.56	.....	6,327.74	.....
P.W.D. Water — Expense	.....	37,300.00	5,000.00	42,300.00	42,283.01	.....	16.99	.....
P.W.D. Water — Cagoon	.....	1,700.00	.....	1,700.00	1,533.57	.....	166.43	.....
P.W.D. Water — Building Alterations and Repairs	.....	5,200.00	.....	5,200.00	5,200.00	.....	.....	.....
Water Mains 1952	\$	11,162.46	.....	11,162.46	11,162.46	.....	.....	.....
Water Mains 1954	.....	5,177.88	.....	5,177.88	5,177.88	.....	.....	.....
New Well and Equipment 1954	.....	9,746.35	.....	9,746.35	7,400.44	.....	2,345.91	.....
Water Mains 1953	.....	1,220.62	.....	1,220.62	688.13	.....	532.49	.....
Water Mains Reservoir Repairs 1956	.....	93,590.00	.....	93,590.00	53,612.88	.....	39,977.12	.....
New Well Pumping Station and Equip- ment 1956	.....	45,000.00	.....	45,000.00	10,027.69	.....	34,972.31	.....
Total for PUBLIC ENTERPRISE	\$	\$ 234,744.30	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 267,051.61	\$ 182,712.62	.....	\$ 6,511.16	\$ 77,827.83
INTEREST								
Anticipation Tax Revenue	.....	10,000.00	.....	10,000.00	6,949.71	.....	3,050.29	.....
General Purpose Loans	.....	122,773.25	2.50	122,775.75	121,595.75	.....	1,280.00	.....
Sewer Loans	.....	1,323.00	.....	1,323.00	1,323.00	.....	.....	.....
Water Loans	.....	4,463.00	.....	4,463.00	4,463.00	.....	.....	.....
Anticipation Highway Reimbursement	.....	959.50	.....	959.50	4,973.34	.....	13.84	.....
Total for INTEREST	\$	\$ 139,518.75	\$ 2.50	\$ 139,521.25	\$ 135,234.80	.....	\$ 4,286.43	.....
MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS								
Maturing General Debt	.....	400,050.00	.....	400,050.00	400,050.00	.....	.....	.....
Maturing Sewer Debt	.....	4,200.00	.....	4,200.00	4,200.00	.....	.....	.....

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# ESTIMATED RECEIPTS — 1956

Used by Assessors in 1956 .....	\$1,196,132.30	State Income Tax (State Valuation) .....	\$ 55,461.11
Excess Receipts closed to 1956 .....		State Income Tax (Chap. 70—School Aid) .....	221,940.41
Revenue Account .....	44,299.47	State Corporation Tax .....	96,499.62
		State Meal Tax — O.A.A. ....	6,423.34
		Reimb. a/c State Owned Land .....	1,464.16
		Licenses & Permits (net) .....	16,567.07
		District Court Fines .....	2,396.20
		Special Assessments (net) .....	56,385.17
		Motor Vehicle Excise (net) .....	286,882.23
		General Government .....	24,294.85
		Tax Title Redemptions and Possessions sold .....	3,818.96
		Sale of Land of Low Value .....	3,693.16
		Protection of Persons and Property .....	143.82
		Hurricane "Carol" .....	654.75
		Hurricane "Edna" .....	3,890.06
		Health and Sanitation .....	4,744.53
		Sale of Garbage .....	1,296.50
		Highways .....	11,158.93
		Flood Relief — State .....	24,789.79
		Charities — other than Federal Grants .....	125,997.14
		Old Age Assistance — other than Federal .....	6,583.00
		Support of Indigent Persons — Welfare .....	6,965.08
		Temporary Aid and Transportation — Welfare .....	9,544.20
		Veterans Benefits .....	5,582.10
		Schools .....	2,903.06
		Tuition State Wards .....	12,432.07
		Transportation .....	2,840.76
		Vocational Education .....	123.00
		Youth Service Board .....	10.20
		English Speaking Classes .....	236,754.18
		School Aid Construction .....	200.00
		Recreation — Beach Concession .....	10,453.18
		Interest on Taxes and Assessments .....	1,872.00
		Natick Housing Authority — In lieu of taxes .....	352.63
		Frammingham — Sewer Beds — In lieu of taxes .....	257.86
		Metropolitan Water System Maintenance .....	
	<u>\$1,240,431.77</u>		<u>\$1,240,431.77</u>



# REVENUE ACCOUNT — 1956

Balance 1/1/1956 (STM 8/2/55 Art. 6)	\$ 10,650.00	Net Available Funds Used — Annual T.M.	\$ 385,365.98
Annual T.M. Budget Appropriation	3,957,600.47	Estimated Receipts (used by Assessors)	1,196,132.30
Annual T.M. Special Appropriation	299,560.12	Water Estimated Receipts	169,869.44
Overlay Deficits — prior years	43,665.93	Sewer Estimated Receipts	86,089.52
Overdrafts	47,580.14	Overestimates — Prior Year	5,809.31
Current Overlay	89,835.41	Poll Tax Commitment	14,722.00
State Underestimates	7,338.03	Personal Property Tax Commitment	180,397.75
State Charges	44,011.39	Real Estate Tax Commitment	2,523,358.50
County Charges	80,646.34		
	<u>\$5,581,087.83</u>		<u>\$4,561,744.80</u>
Excess Closed to Surplus Revenue	150,815.06	Supplement Tax Commitments	8,190.75
		Excess Estimated Receipts Collected	44,299.47
Total	<u>\$4,731,902.89</u>	Unexpended Appropriation Balance	117,667.87
			<u>\$4,731,902.89</u>

# SURPLUS REVENUE ACCOUNT (E&D) — 1956

Free Cash" certified for 1956 Use	\$ 279,985.93	Balance 1/1/1956	\$ 335,346.45
Taxes added to Tax Titles	7,690.18	Sale of Tax Title Land of Low Value	443.42
		Collections of 1955	348.26
		Tax Title Redemptions and Sales	1,664.78
		Tax Possessions	338.88
		Prior Years in Lieu of Taxes	92.74
		Allocation A.D.C. Recoveries	66.00
		Allocation O.A.A. Recoveries	4,223.26
		Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,000.00
		Hurricane Edna Reimbursement	12,635.71
		Unused Certified Free Cash	98,290.81
		Excess from 1956 Revenue Account	150,815.06
Total Debits	<u>\$ 287,676.11</u>	Total Credits	\$ 606,265.37
		Less Debits	287,676.11
		Balance 12/31/1956	\$ 318,589.26

# FREE CASH FOR YEAR 1957

(as determined by the Director of Accounts, February 4, 1957)

Surplus Revenue Account balance 12/31/56		\$318,589.26
Levy of 1951 Real Estate	\$ 75.24	
Levy of 1952 Real Estate	322.56	
Levy of 1953 Real Estate	37.38	
Levy of 1954 Real Estate	219.88	
Levy of 1955:		
Personal	\$ 26.00	
Real Estate	1,495.58	1,521.58
Levy of 1956:		
Poll	216.00	
Personal	864.50	
Real Estate	52,636.33	53,716.83
Less uncollected taxes as of December 31, 1956		55,893.47
Sub Total		\$262,695.79
Less A.D.C. recoveries		42.00
"Free Cash" as of January 1, 1957		\$262,653.79

# CERTIFIED FREE CASH — 1956

Certified by Director for 1956 Use		
Voted at Annual Town Meeting:		
Article 27 — Sewer Division	\$41,000.00	
Article 27 — Industrial Council	5,000.00	
Article 27 — Madison & Birch	19,840.00	
Article 29 — Everett; Charles, Oak Knoll Road	19,355.00	
Article 30 — Pond Street	33,000.00	
Article 31 — Glen, Glenwood, So. Main Streets	7,500.00	
Article 42 — Medical Expenses of John Daley	1,000.00	
Article 44 — Plans & Specs — Storage Vault	1,000.00	
Article 45 — Real Estate Appraisal	20,500.00	
Article 47 — Plans & Specs — Lilja addition	11,000.00	
Article 49 — Plans & Specs — Lincoln addition	1.00	
Article 50 — Land for public school building	2,500.00	
Article 51 — Police Signal System	1,579.12	
Article 55 — Pensions & Retirements	3,000.00	
Article 58 — Old Town Park — So. Natuck	420.00	
Article 60 — Improve Town Forest		
Total voted	181,695.12	
Unused free cash returned to E & D		\$ 98,290.81

# SEWER ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Estimate Used by Assessors .....	\$ 86,089.52	Sewer Rentals — Collections .....	\$ 89,724.99
Excess collections to Surplus .....	11,520.08	Sewer House Connections .....	4,223.03
Cash Refunds .....	236.00	Sale of Materials .....	348.55
		Unexpended Budget Balances .....	3,549.03
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	\$ 97,845.60		\$ 97,845.60

# SEWER SURPLUS REVENUE

Voted — Article 18 Annual Town Meeting .....	\$ 7,406.61	Balance 1/1/1956 .....	\$ 27,826.85
Voted — Article 35 Annual Town Meeting .....	5,000.00	Excess 1956 Receipts .....	11,520.08
Voted — Article 36 Annual Town Meeting .....	15,000.00		
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Total Debits .....	\$ 27,406.61	Total Credits .....	\$ 39,346.93
		Less Debits .....	27,406.61
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		Balance 12/31/56 .....	\$ 11,940.32

# WATER ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Estimate Used by Assessors .....	\$169,869.44	Water Rates and Services — collections .....	\$170,780.17
Excess collections to Surplus .....	32,743.20	Water Labor and Materials — collections .....	19,420.53
Cash Refunds .....	36.30	Sale of Materials .....	1,062.10
		Summonses .....	558.00
		Unexpended Budget Balances .....	10,828.14
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	\$202,648.94		\$202,648.94

# WATER SURPLUS REVENUE

Voted — Article 29 Annual Town Meeting .....	\$ 275.00	Balance 1/1/1956 .....	\$135,466.42
Voted — Article 33 Annual Town Meeting .....	45,000.00	Excess 1956 Receipts .....	32,743.20
Voted — Article 34 Annual Town Meeting .....	87,401.82		
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Total credits .....	\$132,676.82	Total credits .....	\$168,209.62
		Less debits .....	132,676.82
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		Balance 12/31/56 .....	\$ 35,532.80

# TOWN OF NATICK

Balance Sheet — December 31, 1956

## GENERAL ACCOUNTS

### ASSETS

Cash:	
General	
Petty Cash Advances:	
Tax Collector	\$ 250.00
School Athletics	100.00
School Bus Tickets	135.00

### Accounts Receivable:

Taxes	
Levy of 1951 — Real Estate	75.24
Levy of 1952 — Real Estate	322.56
Levy of 1953 — Real Estate	37.38
Levy of 1954 — Real Estate	219.88
Levy of 1955:	
Personal	96.00
Real Estate	1,495.58
Levy of 1956:	
Real Estate	216.00
Personal	864.50
Real Estate	52,636.33

### Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:

Levy of 1955	304.72
Levy of 1956	30,139.19

### Special Assessments:

Sewer:	
Unapportioned	
Unapportioned House Connections	82,471.50
Added to 1954 Taxes	15,970.10
Added to 1955 Taxes	154.12
Added to 1956 Taxes	174.49
Added to 1956 Taxes	953.10

### Street:

Unapportioned	
Added to 1951 Taxes	7,330.55
Added to 1952 Taxes	11.02
Added to 1953 Taxes	10.94
Added to 1954 Taxes	10.94
Added to 1955 Taxes	190.84
Added to 1956 Taxes	306.82

### Sidewalk:

Added to 1955 Taxes	5.34
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### LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Temporary Loans:		
In Anticipation of Reimbursement	\$ 875,966.12	\$ 80,765.00
Guarantee Deposits:		
Contract Bids		832.50
Water	485.00	3,400.00
Agency:		
County — Dog Licenses		34.80
Sale of Land of Low Value in Excess of Tax Title Values		1,647.11
Tailings — Unclaimed Checks		
Trust Fund Income:		
Wilson Statute Fund		174.62
John B. Walcott Fund		1,310.51
Sally Spaulding Fund		19.98
Maria Hayes Fund		20.36
Accrued Interest — renewal of temporary loan	55,893.47	1,525.47
Recoveries — Old Age Assistance		43.20
Federal Grants:		
Disability Assistance:		
Administration		980.67
Assistance		8,685.43
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Administration		1,910.40
Aid		12,697.32
Old Age Assistance:		
Administration		13,439.11
Assistance		68,563.92
Aid to Schools — Public Law 874		13,278.91
Revolving Funds:		
School Lunch		5,067.14
School Athletics		1,669.97
Appropriation Balances:		
Revenue:		
General	7,872.05	6,737.11
Sewer		56,060.54
		62,976.66



Added to 1956 Taxes .....	20.80	26.14	Water .....	77,827.83	
Committed Interest:			Non-Revenue (Loan Balances) .....	146,747.38	343,612.41
Added to 1951 Taxes .....	4.42		Overestimates of 1956:		
Added to 1952 Taxes .....	3.94		Metropolitan Sewer .....	25,252.66	
Added to 1953 Taxes .....	3.50		Metropolitan Sewer Loan — Bonds and	2,819.59	
Added to 1954 Taxes .....	49.94		Interest 1956 .....	2,978.12	
Added to 1955 Taxes .....	128.65	525.11	Middlesex County T.B. Hospital Assess-		31,050.37
Added to 1956 Taxes .....	334.66		ment 1956 .....		
Tax Titles and Possessions:			Receipts Reserved for Appropriation:		
Tax Titles .....	24,640.29		Parking Meter Fees Reserve .....	26,780.88	
Tax Possessions .....	4,473.92	29,114.21	Road Machinery Fund .....	24,246.51	51,027.39
Departmental Revenue:			Overlay Reserve .....		1,565.12
Health .....	151.00		Overlays Reserved for Abate-ments:		
Sale of Garbage .....	7,290.81		Levy of 1951 .....	5.84	
Highway .....	533.41		Levy of 1952 .....	322.56	328.40
General Relief .....	9,514.53		Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Aid to Dependent Children .....	4,669.31		Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise .....	30,443.91	
Old Age Assistance .....	5,032.14		Special Assessments .....	108,146.61	
Sewer — Rentals and Connections .....		27,191.20	Tax Title and Possessions .....	29,114.21	
Water:		12,229.97	Departmental .....	27,191.20	
Rates and Services .....	23,947.20		Sewer .....	12,229.27	
Labor and Materials .....	2,120.71	26,067.91	Water .....	26,067.91	
Aid to Highways:			State and County Aid to Highways .....	11,000.00	244,193.81
County .....	30,848.11	51,136.13	Land Damage Reserve .....		3,002.00
State .....	20,288.02	42.00	Reserve for Petty Cash Advances .....		485.00
Recoveries — Aid to Dependent Children .....			Surplus Revenue:		
Unprovided for Accounts:			General .....	318,589.26	
Overestimates for 1956:			Sewer .....	11,940.32	
Middlesex County Tax 1956 .....	2,758.15		Water .....	35,552.80	366,062.38
State Parks and Reservations 1956 .....	2,315.80	5,073.93			
Overlay Deficits:					
Levy of 1953 .....	21.36				
Levy of 1954 .....	652.05				
Levy of 1955 .....	4,818.50				
Levy of 1956 .....	20,340.72	25,832.63			
Emergency Overdrafts:					
Snow Removal .....	11,750.47				
Court Judgments .....	2,500.00	14,230.47			
		<u>\$1,261,873.58</u>			<u>\$1,261,873.58</u>

## BALANCE SHEET — (Continued)

## DEFERRED REVENUE ACCOUNTS

Apportioned Sewer Assessments Not Due .....	\$ 112,679.20	Apportioned Sewer Assessment Revenue:	\$
Apportioned Street Assessments Not Due .....	44,573.81	Due in 1957 .....	16,011.88
Apportioned Sidewalk Assessments Not Due .....	6,993.09	Due in 1958 .....	16,011.88
		Due in 1959 .....	16,011.88
		Due in 1960 .....	16,011.88
		Due in 1961 .....	16,011.88
		Due in 1962 .....	16,011.88
		Due in 1963 .....	16,011.88
		Due in 1964 .....	273.77
		Due in 1965 .....	60.37
		Due in 1966 .....	29.10
		Due in 1967 .....	29.10
		Due in 1968 .....	29.10
		Due in 1969 .....	29.10
		Due in 1970 .....	29.10
		Due in 1971 .....	29.10
		Due in 1972 .....	29.10
		Due in 1973 .....	29.10
		Due in 1974 .....	29.10
			\$ 112,679.20
		Apportioned Street Assessment Revenue:	
		Due in 1957 .....	6,332.43
		Due in 1958 .....	6,332.43
		Due in 1959 .....	6,302.43
		Due in 1960 .....	6,297.42
		Due in 1961 .....	5,901.58
		Due in 1962 .....	5,220.19
		Due in 1963 .....	4,346.81
		Due in 1964 .....	3,048.01
		Due in 1965 .....	792.51
			44,573.81
		Apportioned Sidewalk Assessment Revenue:	
		Due in 1957 .....	1,284.65
		Due in 1958 .....	1,084.39
		Due in 1959 .....	1,057.43
		Due in 1960 .....	1,022.05
		Due in 1961 .....	794.19
		Due in 1962 .....	539.39
		Due in 1963 .....	523.51
		Due in 1964 .....	343.74
		Due in 1965 .....	343.74
			6,993.09
			\$ 164,246.10

Net Funded or Fixed Debt:	
Inside Debt Limit:	
General	
Outside Debt Limit:	
General	
Water	

## TRUST, INVESTMENT AND RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS

## Trust and Investment Funds —

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## BALANCE SHEET — (Continued)

Martha W. Bean Hospital Fund .....	3,000.00	
Edward Lyon Hospital Fund .....	5,000.00	
Eliza E. Rice Hospital Fund .....	3,000.00	
Edgar S. Hayes Hospital Fund .....	5,000.00	
Patrick H. Cooney Hospital Fund .....	2,000.00	
Edith A. True Hospital Fund .....	2,000.00	
Helen K. Adams Hospital Fund .....	1,000.00	
Madeline E. Wight Hospital Fund .....	1,000.00	
Edward T. Dearborn Hospital Fund .....	4,458.39	
John A. Donahoe Hospital Fund .....	1,000.00	
Naomi S. M. Crowell Hospital Fund .....	980.00	
Grace I. Cupples Hospital Fund .....	18,000.00	
Elizabeth Hill Weatherby Memorial Fund .....	129.72	
Gertrude Drake Hospital Fund .....	500.00	
Hospital Room Funds:		
Dr. George J. Townsend .....	30.15	
Lowly Ann Coolidge .....	31.64	
Mary S. Hayes .....	424.48	
J. W. W. ....	248.30	
Annie Skinner .....	131.25	
Dr. Charles E. and Theodate B. Hills .....	199.18	69,260.11
*As of September 30, 1956		
In Custody of Board of Public Welfare:		
John B. Walcott Fund .....		58,100.27
In Custody of Library Trustees:		
Morse Institute:		
General Book Fund .....	26,372.18	
John O. Wilson Fund .....	7,938.65	
Blanche G. Harwood Fund .....	22,663.93	
Nellie L. Leamy Fund .....	13,186.02	
John A. Donahoe Fund .....	300.00	
Herbert Billings Rose Fund .....	220.00	70,680.78
In Custody of Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Co.:		
Samuel G. Chickering Hospital Fund .....	700,342.47	
Nellie L. Leamy Hospital Fund .....	10,359.35	710,701.82
Municipal Contributory Retirement System:		
Cash .....	8,903.06	
Bank Deposits .....	151,691.97	
Co-operative Bank Shares .....	51,000.00	
Investment Share Account .....	15,000.00	
United States Bonds .....	115,000.00	
Stocks .....	60,412.51	
Accrued Interest on Bonds .....	560.42	402,367.96
		\$1,344,790.65
		\$1,344,790.65



# DEBT STATEMENT

(Also Amounts Due for Principal and Interest during Year 1957)

Purpose of Loan	Year Issued	Rate of Interest	Outstanding Jan. 1, 1956	Added in 1956	Paid in 1956	Outstanding Dec. 31, 1956	Principal Due 1957	Interest Due 1957	Date of Maturity
Sewer Disposal Plant	1934	3.50	\$ 37,800.00	.....	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 33,600.00	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 1,176.00	1964
Water Mains Extensions	1948	2.50	26,000.00	.....	4,000.00	22,000.00	4,000.00	550.00	1968
Schools: Lincoln, Johnson, W.N.	1948	2.50	283,000.00	.....	31,000.00	252,000.00	31,000.00	6,300.00	1968
Water Mains Extensions	1949	2.00	30,000.00	.....	3,000.00	27,000.00	5,000.00	500.00	1961
Schools: Lilla and Brown	1949	2.00	420,000.00	.....	30,000.00	390,000.00	30,000.00	7,800.00	1969
Bennett-Hemenway School	1950	1.75	224,000.00	.....	15,000.00	209,000.00	15,000.00	3,657.50	1970
Water Mains Extensions	1950	1.75	120,000.00	.....	12,000.00	108,000.00	12,000.00	1,890.00	1965
Complete Bennett-Hemenway School	1951	1.75	10,000.00	.....	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	87.50	1957
Brown School Addition	1951	2.00	150,000.00	.....	10,000.00	140,000.00	10,000.00	2,800.00	1970
Sewer Mains Extensions	1951	2.00	80,000.00	.....	10,000.00	70,000.00	10,000.00	1,300.00	1971
Sewer Pumping Stations	1952	2.00	38,600.00	.....	3,500.00	35,100.00	3,500.00	706.00	1967
Water Mains Extensions	1952	2.10	35,000.00	.....	5,000.00	30,000.00	5,000.00	1,008.00	1967
Sewer Mains Extensions	1952	2.10	359,000.00	.....	27,000.00	332,000.00	27,000.00	6,972.00	1982
New Senior High School No. 1	1952	2.10	386,000.00	.....	28,000.00	358,000.00	28,000.00	7,518.00	1971
Morse Hospital Addition	1952(a)	2.25	267,000.00	.....	16,000.00	251,000.00	16,000.00	5,647.50	1972
New Senior High School No. 2	1953	2.40	1,350,000.00	.....	75,000.00	1,275,000.00	75,000.00	29,700.00	1973
Off Street Parking Lot	1953	2.50	5,300.00	.....	2,750.00	2,550.00	2,750.00	68.75	1957
Bennett-Hemenway Addition	1953	2.50	90,000.00	.....	10,000.00	80,000.00	10,000.00	1,840.00	1964
Highways: Franconia and Lacomia	1954	2.00	40,000.00	.....	10,000.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	500.00	1959
New Senior High School No. 3	1954	2.25	1,425,000.00	.....	75,000.00	1,350,000.00	75,000.00	29,531.25	1974
New High School — Practice Field	1954	1.75	45,000.00	.....	5,000.00	40,000.00	5,000.00	700.00	1964
Murphy School	1954	1.75	40,000.00	.....	10,000.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	525.00	1959
Wellesley-Natick Sewer	1954	2.00	125,000.00	.....	10,000.00	115,000.00	10,000.00	2,300.00	1960
Highway: Oxford, Valley, Cooper, Allen	1955	1.75	35,000.00	.....	7,000.00	28,000.00	7,000.00	428.75	1960
Wellesley-Natick Sewer Service	1955	1.80	40,000.00	.....	8,000.00	32,000.00	8,000.00	576.00	1960
Bay State Area Sewer	1955	2.50	60,000.00	.....	7,000.00	53,000.00	7,000.00	1,325.00	1965
Worcester St. Sewer Pump Station	1955	2.50	50,000.00	.....	5,000.00	45,000.00	5,000.00	1,250.00	1961
Spwen Street Bridge	1955	1.75	30,000.00	.....	5,000.00	25,000.00	5,000.00	393.75	1961
West Natick Fire Station	.....	.....	.....	\$ 45,000.00	.....	45,000.00	9,000.00	1,012.50	1961
Police Courthouse Building Addition	.....	.....	.....	20,000.00	.....	20,000.00	4,000.00	450.00	1961
Cole School	.....	.....	.....	100,000.00	.....	100,000.00	20,000.00	2,750.00	1961
TOTALS			\$5,819,900.00	\$ 165,000.00	\$ 430,250.00	\$3,554,650.00	\$ 463,250.00	\$ 121,338.50	
Inside Debt Limit			1,231,537.00	65,000.00	142,050.00	1,154,487.00	195,050.00	30,005.25	
*Outside Debt Limit			4,588,363.00	100,000.00	288,200.00	4,400,163.00	268,200.00	91,333.25	

(a) Last \$226,563.00 of this debt is Outside of Debt Limit

## STATE AUDIT

The Books and Accounts of the Town of Natick for the period from March 3, 1954 to April 30, 1956 were audited by the office of the Director of Accounts, Department of Corporations and Taxation, Commonwealth of Massachusetts. This Audit was made in great detail and a complete report has been submitted to the Selectmen who will make it available to any interested citizen. According to the report all accounts and records of the Town have been verified and proved.

# Board of Assessors

## 1956 RECAPITULATION

Total appropriations raised by taxation .....	\$3,863,101.53	
Total appropriations voted taken from available funds:		
In 1956 \$404,709.01. In 1955 since 1955 rate was fixed \$103,100.00 .....	507,809.01	\$4,370,910.59
Deficits due to abatements in excess of overlay of prior years:		
1955 .....	\$41,705.46	10,699.11
1954 .....	1,960.47	43,665.93
Overdrafts:		
Hurricane Carol .....	\$ 143.82	
Hurricane Edna .....	230.42	
Snow Removal .....	36,506.79	36,881.03
State: Tax and Assessments:		
State Parks and Reservations .....		
State Examination of Retirement System .....	15,397.00	1,562.43
Metropolitan Sewer, South System .....	25,252.66	
Metropolitan Sewer, Admission Charge .....		
County: Tax and Assessments:		
County Tax .....	\$ 44,011.39	\$ 1,562.43
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment .....	\$ 62,037.84	\$ 5,975.60
Overlay of current year .....	\$ 80,646.34	\$ 5,975.60
		86,621.94
		89,835.41
		\$4,084,187.83

Gross Amount Raised .....	\$ 220,227.17
Estimated Receipts and Available Funds:	
Income Tax .....	87,099.43
Corporation Taxes .....	1,323.58
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned Land .....	5,779.53
Old Age Tax (Meals), Chapter 64B, s10 .....	365,402.92
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise .....	13,218.93
Licenses .....	2,779.00
Fines .....	88,649.20
Special Assessments .....	2,657.43
General Government .....	2,057.89
Protection of Persons and Property .....	4,395.79
Health and Sanitation .....	86,089.52
Sewer Earnings .....	38,729.16
Highways .....	
Charities (other than federal grants) .....	

Old Age Assistance (other than federal grants)	129,940.06
Veterans' Services	6,544.28
Schools	3,784.88
Youth Services Board	182.12
Vocational Education	3,650.76
Recreation	175.00
Public Service Enterprises	169,869.44
Tuition and Transportation	12,447.28
Interest: On Taxes and Assessments	12,969.18
State Assistance for School Construction — Chapter 645, Acts of 1948	180,956.76
Sale of Garbage	7,013.81
Town of Framingham in lieu of Taxes	352.63
Natick Housing Authority in lieu of Taxes	1,872.00
Hurricanes: Carol \$129.43; Edna \$207.38	336.81
Tuition of State Wards	2,757.97
Total Estimated Receipts	\$1,452,091.26

# Overestimates of previous year used as available funds:

County T. B. Hospital	\$ 4,509.75
State Recreation Areas	442.46
Gypsy and Brown Tail Motels	837.10

# Amounts voted taken from available funds:

Amount	Date of Vote	Source of Funds
\$ 22,100.00	8/2/55	Special Town Meeting
81,000.00	11/15/55	Special Town Meeting
64,960.11	3/20/56	Annual Town Meeting, First Session
334,728.90	3/27/56	Annual Town Meeting, Second Session
5,420.00	4/3/56	Annual Town Meeting, Third Session

# Total Available Funds

Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds	\$ 513,618.32
Net Amount Raised by Taxation on Polls and Property	\$1,965,709.58
	2,718,478.25

Number of Polls 7,361 at \$2.00 each		Poll Tax	\$ 14,722.00
Total Personal Property	\$ 2,775,350.00	Personal Property Tax	180,997.75
Valuation: Real Estate	38,820,900.00	Real Estate Tax	2,523,338.50

Total \$41,596,250.00

1956 Tax Rate Levied on Polls and Property  
Tax Rate fixed on April 30, 1956.

# Betterment and Special Assessments Added to Taxes:

Sewer	Interest	Total
Sidewalk	\$17,002.01	\$2,475.25
Street	1,339.28	1,679.15
Curbing	7,201.26	9,259.62
	38.24	50.48
		12.24

Total of all other commitments

\$ 33,464.50

Total Amount of 1956 Taxes on Polls and Property and of Assessments Added to Taxes as Committed to Collector

\$2,751,942.75

# **SCHOOL TAX RATE RECAPITULATION 1956**

(Chapter 59, Section 23C, G.L., as amended by Chapter 460, Acts of 1954)

## **SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS** (Total amounts appropriated or lawfully expended since 1955 tax rate was fixed):

General Appropriations for Support and Maintenance of Public Schools .....	\$1,566,123.78
Principal and Interest on School Debt .....	390,952.25
Appropriations Voted from Available Funds for Any School Purposes .....	76,901.00
Fire Insurance 90% of \$9,489.14 .....	8,540.23
Pensions \$6,770.00; Life Insurance 45% \$1,949.40 .....	8,719.40

\$2,051,236.66  
64,073.15

**TOTAL SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS** ..... \$133,501.34  
**SCHOOL PERCENTAGE** 48.29 of overlay

\$2,115,309.81

## **TOTAL**

## **ESTIMATED SCHOOL INCOME**

School Department Income .....	3,784.88
Income Tax Distribution for School Purposes .....	189,221.36
State Assistance for School Construction .....	180,596.76
Amounts Voted from Available Funds for School Purposes .....	22,050.80
Tuition of State Wards .....	2,737.97
Vocational Education .....	3,630.76

402,402.53

## **TOTAL ESTIMATED SCHOOL INCOME**

## **ESTIMATED GENERAL RECEIPTS**

Income Tax .....	36,785.34
Corporations Taxes .....	87,099.43
Reimbursement for Publicly Owned Land .....	3,548.21
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise .....	365,402.92
Licenses .....	7,212.78
Fines .....	2,779.00
Interest on Taxes, Assessments and Deposits .....	12,969.18

**TOTAL ESTIMATED GENERAL RECEIPTS** .....  
**SCHOOL PERCENTAGE** 48.29 of Estimated General Receipts

249,078.30

651,480.83

\$1,463,828.96

## **TOTAL DEDUCTIONS**

## **SCHOOL ASSESSMENT**

## **COMPUTATION OF SCHOOL PERCENTAGE**

Gross Amount to be Raised .....	\$ 133,501.34
Overlays .....	250,129.20
Public Service Enterprise Appropriations .....	52,417.06
Public Service Enterprise Debt and Interest .....	Deduct
Total Deductions .....	436,047.60
Net Amount Raised .....	\$4,248,140.23

2,051,236.66  
4,248,140.23

= 48.29%



## COMPUTATION OF RATES

School Tax Rate = Valuation (in thousands)		
General Tax Rate = Total Tax Rate \$65.00		
Less School Tax Rate		
	35.19	= 29.81
	1,463,828.98	= 35.19
	41,596.25	

# TABLE OF AGGREGATES OF POLLS, PROPERTY, AND TAXES, AS ASSESSED JANUARY 1, 1956

	Individuals	All Others*	Total
Number of persons assessed:			
On Personal Estate Only	83	17	100
On Real Estate Only	7716	268	7984
On Both Personal and Real Estate	161	6	167
Total Number of Persons Assessed			8251
Number of polls assessed:			7361
Value of assessed personal estate:			
Stock in Trade	\$ 121,900.00		
Machinery	1,960,550.00		
Live Stock	23,150.00		
All Other Tangible Personal Property	669,750.00		
Total Value of Assessed Personal Estate		\$2,775,350.00	
Value of assessed real estate:			
Land exclusive of Buildings	\$ 5,462,750.00		
Buildings exclusive of Land	33,338,150.00		
Total Value of Assessed Real Estate		38,820,900.00	
Total Valuation of Assessed Estate			\$41,596,250.00
Tax Rate Per \$1,000 — \$65.00			
Taxes for State, County, and Town Purposes, Including Overlay:			
On Personal Estate	\$ 180,397.75		
On Real Estate	2,523,358.50		
On Polls	14,722.00		
Total Taxes Assessed			\$2,718,478.25
Number of live stock estimated under Section 36, Chapter 59:			
Horses (1 year old, or over)	35		
Neat Cattle: (1 year old, or over)			
Cows (Milk)	127		
Bulls 4; Yearlings; Heifers 1	5		
Swine (6 months old, or over)	2		
Sheep (6 months old, or over)	23		
Fowl	2160		
All Other	55		
Number of Acres of Land Assessed	7092.08A		
Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed	6815		
*Partnerships, Associations or Trusts, Corporations.			

TABLE OF AGGREGATES — OMITTED AND INSUFFICIENT ASSESSMENTS  
AGGREGATES OF PROPERTY AND TAXES AS ASSESSED IN 1956

Number of persons assessed:					Total
On Personal Estate Only .....					1
On Real Estate Only .....					46
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					47
Total Number of Persons Assessed .....					
Value of Assessed Personal Estate:					
All other tangible Personal Property .....					
Value of Assessed Real Estate:					
Land exclusive of Buildings .....					
Buildings exclusive of Land .....					
Total Value of Assessed Real Estate .....					
Total Valuation of Assessed Estate .....					
TAX RATE PER \$1,000 — \$65.00					
Taxes (Omitted Assessments):					
On Personal Estate .....					
On Real Estate .....					
Total Taxes Assessed .....					
Number of Acres of Land Assessed .....					
Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed .....					

\*Partnerships, Associations or Trusts, Corporations.

## 1956 LIST OF TAXES ABATED — POLL AND PROPERTY

<b>LEVY OF 1956</b>	
Poll .....	\$ 54.00
Personal Property .....	848.25
Real Estate .....	24,004.50
Total Amount Abated .....	<u>\$24,906.75</u>
<b>LEVY OF 1955</b>	
Poll .....	\$ 200.00
Personal Property .....	367.25
Real Estate .....	451.75
Total Amount Abated .....	<u>\$ 1,019.00</u>
<b>LEVY OF 1954</b>	
Personal Property .....	\$ 499.32
Real Estate .....	169.36
Total Amount Abated .....	<u>\$ 668.68</u>
Total Poll Tax .....	\$ 254.00
Total Real Estate Tax .....	24,625.61
Total Personal Property Tax .....	1,714.82
Total Amount Abated .....	<u>\$26,594.43</u>

## MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE COMMITTED IN 1956

<b>LEVY OF 1956</b>	
Number of Vehicles Assessed .....	8,885
Value of Vehicles Assessed .....	\$6,223,070.00
Tax on Vehicles Assessed .....	300,014.71
<b>LEVY OF 1955</b>	
Number of Vehicles Assessed .....	1,099
Value of Vehicles Assessed .....	\$936,680.00
Tax on Vehicles Assessed .....	13,028.72
Total Number of Vehicles Assessed .....	9,984
Total Value of Vehicles Assessed .....	\$7,159,750.00
Total Tax on Vehicles Assessed .....	313,043.43

## MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE ABATED IN 1956

<b>LEVY OF 1956</b>	
Number of Vehicles Abated .....	924
Value of Vehicles Abated .....	\$355,200.00
Tax of Vehicles Abated .....	19,334.33
Number of Abatements Refused .....	51
<b>LEVY OF 1955</b>	
Value of Vehicles Abated .....	\$299,750.00
Tax on Vehicles Abated .....	15,997.15
Number of Abatements Refused .....	17
<b>LEVY OF 1954</b>	
Value of Vehicles Abated .....	\$35,300.00
Tax on Vehicles Abated .....	1,829.96
<b>LEVY OF 1953</b>	
Value of Vehicles Abated .....	\$1,550.00
Tax on Vehicles Abated .....	78.57
Total Value of Vehicles Abated .....	691,800.00
Total Tax on Vehicles Abated .....	37,240.01

## STATUTORY EXEMPTIONS OF POLL AND PROPERTY GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 59, SECTION 5

<b>CLAUSE 3</b>	
1—Charitable .....	\$ 481.00
<b>CLAUSE 17</b>	
12—Persons over 70 years of age .....	1,553.50
51—Widows .....	6,818.50
<b>CLAUSE 17A</b>	
813—Aged — persons 65 years of age or over (\$2 exemption) .....	1,626.00

CLAUSE 17B		
259—Inhabitants in the armed forces (\$2 exemption) .....		518.00
CLAUSE 18 Persons unable to contribute fully toward the public charges by reason of:		
3—Physical condition .....		6.00
1—Financial conditions .....		130.00
CLAUSE 22		
Veterans who by reason of injury received or disease contracted while in the service of the United States during time of war and in the line of duty:		
1—Lost both arms (\$3,000 exemption) .....		195.00
1—Lost one foot at or above the ankle (\$2,000 exemption) .....		130.00
435—Certificate from the Veterans Administration showing at least 10% disability (\$2,000 exemption) .....		56,216.88
4—Veterans of the Spanish War (\$2,000 exemption) .....		520.00
101—Veterans having the Purple Heart (\$2,000 exemption) .....		13,107.25
18—Wives of Soldiers or Sailors entitled to exemption under any of the above paragraphs, or widows of veterans who were eligible at the time of their death or who lost their lives as a result of service (\$2,000 exemption) .....		2,041.00
27—Fathers and mothers of Soldiers or Sailors who lost their lives in service (\$2,000 exemption) .....		3,454.75
CLAUSE 37		
1—Blind person (\$2,000 exemption) .....		130.00
ACTS OF 1956		
6—Chapter 287, 1955 exemption in 1956 (\$2,000 exemption) .....		780.00
1—Chapter 651, Wives also having disability (\$2,000 exemption) .....		130.00
Total Exemptions — 1735	Total amount exempted .....	\$87,837.88

## PROPERTY EXEMPT FROM TAXATION AS LISTED BY THE ASSESSORS

	VALUATION	
	Real Estate	Tangible Personal Property
Property of the United States .....	\$2,132,650.00	\$ 10,000.00
Property of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts .....	378,750.00	20,000.00
Property of the Town of Framingham .....	10,825.00	
Property of Literary (Educational) Corporations .....	459,400.00	46,775.00
Property of Charitable Corporations .....	296,675.00	27,236.75
Houses of Religious Worship .....	605,950.00	34,700.00
Parsonages (to an Amount Not Exceeding \$10,000 for each) .....	82,600.00	
Cemeteries .....	19,625.00	
Property of United States Housing Authority .....	269,900.00	
Property of the Town of Natick		
Schools .....	4,304,050.00	25,000.00
Libraries .....	93,025.00	10,000.00
Fire Department .....	50,400.00	88,000.00
Police Department .....	56,300.00	2,500.00
Water Department, including Mains .....	102,700.00	625,000.00
Parks and Playgrounds .....	121,850.00	1,000.00
Cemeteries .....	3,950.00	
Highway Department .....	66,025.00	28,000.00
Sewer Department and System .....	31,800.00	300,000.00
Tax Possessions—Tax title land after foreclosure of rights of redemption .....	13,825.00	
All other .....	650.00	20,000.00
TOTAL .....	\$9,100,950.00	\$1,238,211.75

At this time the employees of the Assessors' Department wish to express their gratitude and appreciation for the new equipment which has helped to make our operation more efficient.

JAMES G. NICHOLS      RICHARD S. SANDERSON      WILLIAM P. AMOROSO



# Department Financial Reports

## REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

Balance in Banks December 31, 1955 .....	\$1,152,468.15
1955 Warrants paid in 1956 .....	23,443.65
Balance on hand January 1, 1956 .....	\$1,129,022.50
Receipts January 1, 1956 to December 31, 1956 .....	5,833,513.83
Total .....	\$6,962,536.33
Payments January 1, 1956 to December 31, 1956 .....	6,086,570.21
Balance on hand December 31, 1956 .....	\$ 875,966.12

RICHARD H. POTTER, *Town Treasurer*

## LEONARD MORSE HOSPITAL

### STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES

Year Ending September 30, 1956

Income from Patients .....		\$609,858.60
Expenditures:		
Administrative:		
Insurance .....	\$ 10,256.49	
Tel. and Tel. ....	1,856.25	
Salaries .....	27,814.29	
Office Supplies and Postage .....	3,529.69	
Social Security .....	7,039.08	
Miscellaneous .....	2,373.08	
Loss on Bad Accounts .....	20,945.81	
Welfare Contractual Adjustment .....	4,763.29	
Blue Cross Contractual Adjustment .....	20,821.95	
Depreciation on Equipment .....	11,772.75	
Depreciation on Buildings .....	26,960.00	138,132.68
Dietary:		
Salaries .....	23,629.48	
Supplies .....	1,607.54	
Food .....	50,145.47	75,382.49
Laundry and Linen:		
Salaries .....	11,452.01	
Supplies .....	1,565.78	13,017.79
Housekeeping:		
Salaries .....	23,746.35	
Supplies and Maintenance .....	6,395.03	30,141.38
General Maintenance and Repair:		
Salaries .....	8,124.52	
Supplies .....	8,984.37	17,108.89
Plant Operation:		
Salaries .....	13,923.07	
Fuel .....	8,007.17	
Light and Power .....	7,673.66	29,603.90
Medical, Surgical and Nursing:		
Salaries .....	198,973.91	
Supplies .....	27,416.11	
Pharmacy .....	17,179.12	243,569.14
Laboratory:		
Salaries .....	21,298.31	
Supplies .....	7,825.29	29,123.60
Operating and Delivery Rooms:		
Salaries .....	17,853.95	
Supplies .....	17,501.98	35,355.93
Records:		
Salaries .....	5,976.96	
Supplies .....	1,016.43	6,993.39

X-Ray Department:			
Salaries .....	9,734.21		
Supplies .....	29,761.50	39,495.71	657,924.96
Operating Loss .....			\$ 48,066.30
Other Income:			
Community Chest .....	1,803.00		
Interest on Investments .....	1,814.01		
Chickering Fund Income .....	32,879.63		
Miscellaneous .....	4,385.79		40,882.43
Excess Expenditures over Income .....			\$ 7,113.87

## LEONARD MORSE HOSPITAL INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

September 30, 1956

N. T. Co.	11900	Edward Lyon Fund .....	\$5,000.00	
N. T. Co.	13407	Martha W. Bean .....	3,000.00	
N. T. Co.	13187	N. B. Goodnow .....	500.00	
N. T. Co.	11316	Helen R. Adams .....	1,000.00	
N. T. Co.	23270	Dr. G. H. Lavelle .....	179.58	
N. T. Co.	26014	Madeline E. Wight .....	1,000.00	
N. T. Co.	23271	Ralph Sweetland .....	46.18	
N. 5¢ S. B.	51970	General Fund .....	847.24	
N. 5¢ S. B.	58983	Eliza E. Rice .....	3,000.00	
N. 5¢ S. B.	58984	E. S. Hayes — R. Morse .....	5,000.00	
N. 5¢ S. B.	58985	P. H. Cooney .....	5,000.00	
N. 5¢ S. B.	59458	E. A. True — F. A. Dakin .....	2,000.00	
N. 5¢ S. B.	66746	E. E. Dearborn .....	3,458.39	
N. 5¢ S. B.	67006	J. A. Donahue .....	1,000.00	
N. 5¢ S. B.	72465	Naomie S. M. Crowell .....	980.00	
N. 5¢ S. B.	72159	Grace I. Cupples .....	5,000.00	
N. 5¢ S. B.	73180	Elizabeth Hill Weatherby .....	129.72	
N. 5¢ S. B.	73896	Gertrude Drake Fund .....	500.00	
				\$37,641.11
Frances T. Blaney Fund in Memory of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Blaney:				
U. S. T. Bonds — G — 2½% — X511715G - V518707G .....				15,000.00
Edward E. Dearborn Fund:				
U. S. T. Bonds — 2½% — 1967-72 — 57542B — J & D c.p.a. ....				1,000.00
Ralph Sweetland Building Fund:				
U. S. Savings Bonds, Ser. F — C1631773-4F - D612346F - D640181F - C1636729-30F - 667463F - C1677344-5 .....				1,554.00
				17,554.00
Special Funds:				
N. T. Co.	6912	Annie Skinner Room Fund .....	131.25	
N. T. Co.	17489	Charles E. and Theodate B. Hills Fund .....	199.18	
N. 5¢ S. B.	20500	Ann Coolidge Fund .....	31.64	
N. 5¢ S. B.	20658	Mary S. Hayes Fund .....	424.48	
N. 5¢ S. B.	21041	J. W. W. H. Fund .....	248.30	
N. 5¢ S. B.	21415	George J. Townsend Fund .....	30.15	
				1,065.00
				\$56,260.11

## NATICK HOUSING AUTHORITY

NATICK 200-1 MASS.

BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1956

### ASSETS

Administration Fund — Natick Trust Co. ....	\$ 18,799.21	
Administration Fund — Natick Five Cents Sav. ....	7,842.54	
— Natick Federal Savings .....	\$ 18,009.05	
Petty Cash Fund .....	21.00	\$ 44,671.80
Tenants' Accounts Receivable .....		421.00
Debt Service Fund .....	\$ 12,815.45	
Debt Service Trust Fund .....	761.35	
Debt Service Trust Fund — Investment .....	4,000.00	17,576.80
Development Costs .....	\$512,000.00	
Less — Dev. Cost Liquidation .....	42,000.00	470,000.00
Total Assets .....		\$532,669.60

LIABILITIES		
Accrued Insurance .....		\$ 3,695.00
Tenants' Security Deposits .....		2,250.00
Bonds Authorized .....	\$500,000.00	
Less — Bonds Retired .....	42,000.00	458,000.00
Matured Interest and Principal .....	\$ 9,366.50	
Debt Service Reserve .....	8,782.62	
Unamortized Bond Premium .....	4,761.35	
Working Capital .....	535.77	
Operating Reserve .....	22,322.88	
Capital Donation .....	12,000.00	57,769.12
Net Income .....		10,955.48
Total Liabilities .....		<u>\$532,669.60</u>

## MORSE INSTITUTE

### TREASURER'S REPORT

#### GENERAL BOOK FUND

##### *Income*

Cash balance, January 1, 1956 .....		\$ 864.47
Income from:		
Investments .....	\$1,651.07	
Fines .....	2,273.56	
Duplicate pay collection .....	335.09	
Books sold .....	102.13	
Contributions:		
Walnut Hill School .....	200.00	
American Legion Auxiliary .....	14.92	
Elizabeth V. Donahoe .....	3.00	
Transferred from:		
Leamy Fund .....	2,000.00	
Donahoe Fund .....	9.76	
Other income .....	42.23	

6,631.76

\$7,496.23

##### *Expenditures*

Books .....	\$5,249.64
Magazines (including Donahoe Fund) .....	6.00
Other publications .....	289.14
Library association memberships .....	33.00
Miscellaneous supplies and expenses .....	129.26
Treasurer's bond .....	50.00
Workmen's compensation insurance .....	102.06
Post office box rental .....	12.00

\$5,871.10

Less income temporarily invested ..... \$1,625.13

266.23

Cash balance, December 31, 1956 ..... \$1,358.90

#### GENERAL BOOK FUND INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

##### *Receipts*

Securities sold ..... \$1,995.77

##### *Expenditures*

Securities purchased ..... 2,262.00

Income temporarily invested ..... \$ 266.23

#### JOHN O. WILSON FUND

##### *Income*

Cash balance, January 1, 1956 .....		\$1,043.69
Transferred from:		
Investments .....	\$ 284.47	
Fines .....	1,299.55	
Transferred from:		
Harwood Fund .....	1,000.00	
Rose Fund .....	7.16	
Payment for book lost .....	12.00	

2,603.18

\$3,646.87

<i>Expenditures</i>		
Books .....	\$2,656.81	
Miscellaneous supplies and expenses .....	25.42	
		2,682.23
		<u>\$ 964.64</u>
Plus principal temporarily uninvested .....		36.00
Cash balance, December 31, 1956 .....		<u>\$1,000.64</u>
JOHN O. WILSON FUND INVESTMENT ACCOUNT		
<i>Receipts</i>		
Securities sold .....	\$ 36.00	
Principal temporarily uninvested .....		<u>\$ 36.00</u>
JOHN A. DONAHOE FUND		
<i>Income</i>		
Interest, Savings bank deposit .....		\$ 9.76
<i>Expenditures</i>		
Transferred to General Book Fund for purchase of religious magazines .....		<u>\$ 9.76</u>
HERBERT BILLINGS ROSE FUND		
<i>Income</i>		
Interest, savings bank deposit .....		\$ 7.16
<i>Expenditures</i>		
Transferred to John O. Wilson Fund for purchase of reference books .....		<u>\$ 7.16</u>
SPECIAL FUNDS ACCOUNT		
BLANCHE G. HARWOOD FUND		
NELLIE L. LEAMY FUND		
<i>Income</i>		
Cash balances, January 1, 1956		
Harwood Fund .....	\$1,991.18	
Leamy Fund .....	3,259.93	
		<u>\$5,251.11</u>
Income from investments		
Harwood Fund .....	\$1,056.48	
Leamy Fund .....	635.06	
		<u>1,691.54</u>
		<u>\$6,942.65</u>
<i>Expenditures</i>		
Harwood Fund		
Safe deposit box rental .....	\$ 11.00	
		<u>\$ 11.00</u>
Leamy Fund		
Transfers to:		
General Book Fund .....	\$2,000.00	
Wilson Fund .....	1,000.00	
Expense of bond collection .....	.53	
	<u>\$3,000.53</u>	
		3,011.53
		<u>\$3,931.12</u>
Less income temporarily invested .....		1,474.60
Cash balances, December 31, 1956		
Harwood Fund .....	\$1,562.06	
Leamy Fund .....	894.46	
	<u>\$2,456.52</u>	
		<u>\$2,456.52</u>
SPECIAL FUNDS INVESTMENT ACCOUNT		
<i>Receipts</i>		
Bonds matured .....	\$1,000.00	
<i>Expenditures</i>		
Securities purchased .....	\$1,474.60	
Transfers to savings bank .....	1,000.00	
	<u>\$2,474.60</u>	
Income temporarily invested .....		<u>\$1,474.60</u>



# CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Ledger Assets December 31, 1955 .....			\$357,217.86
INCOME			
Contributions from Members:			
Group A .....	\$36,849.17		
Group B .....	16,811.25		
		\$53,660.42	
From Town Appropriations:			
Pension Fund .....	38,404.56		
Expense Fund .....	3,485.00		
Military Service Credit .....	144.00		
		\$42,033.56	
Interest on Bank Deposits .....	4,499.65		
Interest on Bonds .....	2,950.00		
Interest on Co-op. Bank Shares .....	1,571.25		
Dividends on Investment Share Account .....	450.00		
Dividends on Bank Stocks .....	1,973.20		
		\$11,444.10	
Increase by Adjustment on Bank Stocks .....		\$ 409.13	
			107,547.21
			\$464,765.07
DISBURSEMENTS			
Annuity Payments .....		\$ 3,861.51	
Pension Payments .....		41,149.16	
Refund of Deductions .....		13,436.04	
Expense:			
Supplies .....	124.14		
Postage .....	12.00		
Equipment Maintenance .....	25.35		
Office Equipment .....	39.96		
Bonds — Board Members .....	78.50		
Dues .....	10.00		
Salary .....	3,100.00		
Conference Meetings .....	31.48		
Box Rental .....	5.00		
Miscellaneous .....	6.50		
		\$ 3,432.93	
Accrued Interest Paid on Investments .....		317.47	
			62,197.11
Balance December 31, 1956 .....			\$402,567.96

JOHN L. CASALY  
 GEORGE F. ROBERTS  
 RICHARD E. GOULD  
*Retirement Board*  
 RICHARD H. POTTER  
*Town Treasurer*

# *Annual Town Warrant — 1956*

WARRANT FOR NON-PARTISAN PRELIMINARY ELECTION — 1956

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.

To any Constable of the Town of Natick in said County:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify the qualified voters of said Town of Natick to meet:

The Voters of Precinct No. 1 in Center School Auditorium.  
The Voters of Precinct No. 2 in School House Hall, South Natick.  
The Voters of Precinct No. 3 in Brown School, West Natick.  
The Voters of Precinct No. 4 in Congregational Church.  
The Voters of Precinct No. 5 in Lilja School (Oak Street), East Natick.  
The Voters of Precinct No. 6 in Bennett-Hemenway School, North Natick.  
The Voters of Precinct No. 7 in Harold H. Johnson School.  
The Voters of Precinct No. 8 in West Natick School.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1956

at 12 o'clock noon, at which time in all Precincts of said Town of Natick, the polls will be opened and will remain open continuously until 8:00 p.m. of said day, when they will be closed, during which time the aforesaid qualified inhabitants of said Town may bring in their votes to the Election Officers, duly appointed and sworn for said Precincts for said Town of Natick in said meeting so assembled for:

One Moderator, one Town Treasurer, also six Constables, all for one year; also one Selectman, one Assessor of Taxes, one member of the Board of Public Welfare, two members of the School Committee, one member of the Board of Health, one Commissioner of Public Works, one Park Commissioner, one Commissioner of Recreation, one Tree Warden, all for three years; also one member of the Planning Board and one member of the Housing Authority for five years; also one Trustee of the Leonard Morse Hospital for seven years; also one Selectman for one year to fill the unexpired term of George E. Yeo, deceased.

All ballots to be furnished by the Town and the election will be conducted according to the Australian system, as enacted in Massachusetts, and in conformity with the election laws of said Commonwealth.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof in each of the post offices in said Natick and at the following public places in said Natick, to wit: Entrance to Selectmen's Rooms, Main Street Entrance to Concert Hall, Natick Police Station and Central Fire Station in Natick; Pine's Market, Felchville; Former Hose House Bulletin Board, North Natick; Pole #15 at intersection of Everett and Cottage Streets, Little South; Drug Store at south east corner of Worcester and Oak Streets, East Natick; Pole at intersection of Speen and Mill Streets, West Natick; and Paul Dowd's Store, South Natick, seven days at least before said February 6, 1956, also by causing an attested copy of said Warrant to be published once in the newspapers called "The Natick Herald," and "The Natick Bulletin," said publications to be seven days at least before the day appointed for said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the time appointed for holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this ninth day of January A.D. 1956.

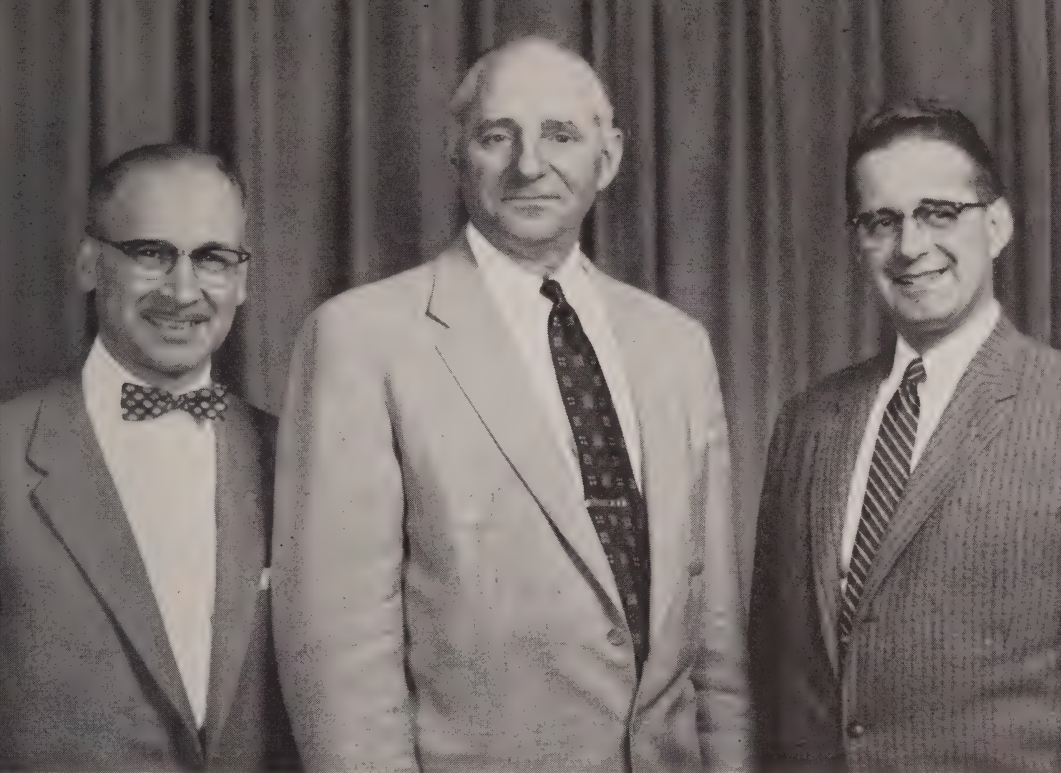
WILLIAM F. WELLS,  
O. EDWIN SWENSON,  
Selectmen of Natick.

A true copy.

Attest:

JOHN H. HEFFERNAN,  
Constable.

January 11, 1956.



**JUST THE FACTS** — that's the order for every day with the Board of Assessors.  
(Left to right) James G. Nichols, William P. Amoroso, Richard S. Sanderson.

### OFFICER'S RETURN COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.

Natick, January 16, 1956

By virtue of this Warrant I have notified the qualified voters of the said Town of Natick, to meet at the times, places and for the purposes within specified by posting attested copies of said Warrant at the several locations and places therein designated for that purpose, Monday, January 16, 1956, also by causing an attested copy of said Warrant to be published in the newspapers called "The Natick Herald" and "The Natick Bulletin," newspapers published in the said Town of Natick, in the issues dated January 12, 1956, all as within directed.

JOHN H. HEFFERNAN,  
Constable of Natick.

A Record of the Warrant and Officer's Return thereon.

JAMES H. FLEMING,  
Town Clerk of Natick.

A true copy.

Attest:

JAMES H. FLEMING,  
Town Clerk of Natick.

### PROCEEDINGS

Natick, February 6, 1956. Meetings opened in all eight Precincts at 12 o'clock noon with usual legal formalities.

#### Result —

After the returns from all eight Precincts were canvassed by the Registrars of Voters, and announced by the Chairman of the Board:

	1	2	3	— Precincts —		6	7	8	Total
Selectmen for three years				4	5				
William F. Wells	126	62	113	157	84	147	131	40	860
James M. Curran	77	40	46	50	43	46	24	13	339
Harold D. Grant	195	42	81	170	104	100	161	33	886
Roy E. Wyman	40	8	17	34	6	27	50	11	193
Blanks	16	0	5	16	6	20	21	3	87

**William F. Wells and Harold D. Grant were nominated.**

Selectman for one year									
Samuel S. Crisafulli	143	35	57	104	39	82	128	18	606
Jerry T. Torti	232	74	153	216	145	170	176	52	1218
Mary A. Yeo	60	29	37	83	48	72	62	27	418
Blanks	19	14	15	24	11	16	21	3	123

**Samuel S. Crisafulli and Jerry T. Torti were nominated.**

Assessor for three years									
Richard S. Sanderson	229	97	184	277	132	255	211	55	1440
George M. Beckwith	97	12	36	66	25	39	71	28	374
John P. Rae	79	25	22	58	80	39	61	7	371
Blanks	49	18	20	26	6	7	44	10	180

**Richard S. Sanderson and George M. Beckwith were nominated.**

School Committee for three years									
Thomas F. McGrath	337	97	99	217	95	184	275	57	1361
Robert H. Anderson	107	38	117	227	138	173	138	45	983
Irvin G. Duclos	89	99	21	52	12	23	40	6	342
Elmer A. Oesterlin	33	5	89	43	36	33	32	11	282
Dorothy B. Read	155	47	135	195	166	182	126	46	1052
Blanks	187	18	63	120	39	85	163	35	710

**Thomas F. McGrath, Robert H. Anderson, Irvin G. Duclos and Dorothy B. Read were nominated.**

A true copy of the votes cast as returned by the Precinct Officers and tabulated by the Board of Registrars.

At the conclusion of the count in each Precinct the ballots and check lists were sealed, properly endorsed and delivered to the Town Clerk for safe keeping as prescribed by law.

Adjourned.

A Record of the Proceedings, Non-Partisan Preliminary Election Day.

JAMES H. FLEMING,  
Town Clerk of Natick.

A true copy.

Attest:

JAMES H. FLEMING,  
Town Clerk of Natick.

## WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

March 5, 1956

## THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

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## MONDAY, MARCH 5, 1956

at 7:30 o'clock, a.m., at which time in all Precincts of said Town of Natick, the polls will be opened and will remain open continuously until 8:00 p.m. of said day, when they will be closed, during which time the aforesaid qualified inhabitants of said Town may bring in their votes to the Election Officers, duly appointed and sworn for said Precincts for said Town of Natick in said meeting so assembled for:

One Moderator, one Town Treasurer, also six Constables, all for one year; also one Selectman, one Assessor of Taxes, one member of the Board of Public Welfare, two members of the School Committee, one member of the Board of Health, one Commissioner of Public Works, one Park Commissioner, one Commissioner of Recreation, one Tree Warden, all for three years; also one member of the Planning Board and one member of the Housing Authority for five years; also one Trustee of the Leonard Morse Hospital for seven years; also one Selectman for one year to fill the unexpired term of George E. Yeo, deceased; also 80 Town Meeting Members for three years, 14 in Precinct 1, 5 in Precinct 2, 10 in Precinct 3, 14 in Precinct 4, 11 in Precinct 5, 9 in Precinct 6, 12 in Precinct 7 and 5 in Precinct 8.

All ballots to be furnished by the Town and the election will be conducted according to the Australian system, as enacted in Massachusetts, and in conformity with the election laws of said Commonwealth.

### PROCEEDINGS

Natick, March 5, 1956. Meetings opened in all eight Precincts at 7:30 A.M. with usual legal formalities.

#### Result —

After the returns from all eight Precincts were canvassed by the Registrars of Voters, and announced by the Chairman of the Board:

	— Precincts —								Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Moderator									
Edward R. Noyes	778	309	504	861	587	715	644	317	4715
Blanks	295	58	89	241	105	130	219	74	1211
Edward R. Noyes declared elected and he qualified before James H. Fleming, Town Clerk.									
Town Treasurer									
Richard H. Potter	836	303	515	909	596	725	689	329	4902
Blanks	237	64	78	193	96	120	174	62	1024
Richard H. Potter declared elected and he qualified before James H. Fleming, Town Clerk.									
Selectman for three years									
William F. Wells	470	164	312	502	346	497	409	228	2928
Harold D. Grant	553	182	264	553	332	318	423	154	2779
Blanks	50	21	17	47	14	30	31	9	219
William F. Wells declared elected and he qualified before James H. Fleming, Town Clerk.									
Selectman for one year									
Samuel S. Crisafulli	449	120	192	404	205	266	370	128	2134
Jerry T. Torti	564	215	374	633	442	537	437	253	3453
Blanks	60	32	27	65	45	42	56	10	337
Jerry T. Torti declared elected and he qualified before James H. Fleming, Town Clerk.									
Assessor three years									
Richard S. Sanderson	605	275	421	761	481	655	538	229	3965
George M. Beckwith	348	61	144	267	166	157	231	134	1508
Blanks	120	31	28	74	45	33	94	28	453
Richard S. Sanderson declared elected and he qualified before James H. Fleming, Town Clerk.									
Board of Public Welfare for three years									
Myra F. FitzGerald	773	280	496	854	563	706	638	319	4629
Blanks	300	87	97	248	129	139	225	72	1297
Myra F. FitzGerald declared elected and she qualified before James H. Fleming, Town Clerk.									

	— Precincts —								Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
School Committee for three years									
Thomas F. McGrath	797	225	293	680	325	459	639	253	3671
Robert H. Anderson	396	111	331	602	432	493	392	192	2949
Irving G. Duclos	184	201	70	138	43	72	103	41	852
Dorothy B. Read	437	131	355	492	444	471	325	189	2844
Blanks	332	66	137	292	140	195	267	107	1536

**Thomas F. McGrath and Robert H. Anderson declared elected and they qualified before James H. Fleming, Town Clerk.**

Board of Health for three years									
Stuart C. Peterson	413	206	455	633	480	568	419	220	3394
Donald R. Sims	580	125	105	379	160	227	372	133	2081
Blanks	80	36	33	90	52	50	72	38	451

**Stuart C. Peterson declared elected and he qualified before James H. Fleming, Town Clerk.**

Commissioner of Public Works for three years									
Fletcher A. Hatch	357	142	218	498	418	489	323	161	2606
Thomas L. Huddy	616	199	358	529	241	302	478	213	2936
Blanks	100	26	17	75	33	54	62	17	384

**Thomas L. Huddy declared elected and he qualified before James H. Fleming, Town Clerk.**

Trustee Morse Hospital for seven years									
John L. Burke	865	295	513	900	589	709	677	323	4871
Blanks	208	72	80	202	103	136	186	68	1055

**John L. Burke declared elected and he qualified before James H. Fleming, Town Clerk.**

Park Commissioner for three years									
Richard A. Robbins	799	297	502	851	574	714	650	316	4703
Blanks	274	70	91	251	118	131	213	75	1223

**Richard A. Robbins declared elected and he qualified before James H. Fleming, Town Clerk.**

Planning Board for five years									
Norman M. Barlow	349	145	384	429	368	366	263	161	2465
Carleton R. Leavitt	586	185	181	585	288	426	502	195	2948
Blanks	138	37	28	88	36	53	98	35	513

**Carleton R. Leavitt declared elected and he qualified before James H. Fleming, Town Clerk.**

Commissioner of Recreation for three years									
M. Christine Hedderig	739	268	486	812	552	679	617	305	4458
Blanks	334	99	107	290	140	166	246	86	1468

**M. Christine Hedderig declared elected and she qualified before James H. Fleming, Town Clerk.**

Housing Authority for five years									
Robert D. Coleman	778	292	486	864	566	689	645	301	4621
Blanks	295	75	107	238	126	156	218	90	1305

**Robert D. Coleman declared elected and he qualified before James H. Fleming, Town Clerk.**

Tree Warden for three years									
Patrick A. Whalen	923	315	509	930	589	705	735	330	5036
Blanks	150	52	84	172	103	140	128	61	890

**Patrick A. Whalen declared elected and he qualified before James H. Fleming, Town Clerk.**

Constables									
Harry Cyphers	673	286	430	736	514	620	558	278	4095
John H. Heffernan	797	275	460	826	548	667	675	319	4567
Helen M. McCormack	762	244	443	812	519	638	589	294	4301
John E. Mitchell	722	260	463	814	538	663	615	306	4381
George E. Rogers	645	239	442	723	519	605	521	282	3976
Russell C. Trask	508	194	347	613	440	534	424	232	3292
Pompilio F. Zullo	500	151	262	458	276	362	372	163	2544
Blanks	1831	553	711	1630	798	981	1424	472	8400

**Harry Cyphers, John H. Heffernan, Helen M. McCormack, John E. Mitchell, George E. Rogers and Russell C. Trask declared elected and they qualified before James H. Fleming, Town Clerk.**

# TOWN MEETING MEMBERS

## — Precinct 1

### *Town Meeting Members for three years*

Charles J. Ahearn	663	George F. Roberts	590
Edward J. Barnicle	661	Thomas J. Shea	647
Walter L. Burke	726	Donald K. Sims	606
Mary E. Carey	671	Robert L. Ahearn	379
Anna E. Finn	652	Allan A. Fishman	261
Robert L. Gay	607	Louis F. Gura	196
Ellen G. Grant	625	Maxene B. Hendry	180
John B. Jennings	640	Ormond H. Manhard, Jr.	171
William H. Kane	668	Dorothy B. Read	338
John J. Lane	670	Blanks	4464
Thomas H. Mahoney, Jr.	607		

Charles J. Ahearn, Edward J. Barnicle, Walter L. Burke, Mary E. Carey, Anna E. Finn, Robert L. Gay, Ellen G. Grant, John B. Jennings, William H. Kane, John J. Lane, Thomas H. Mahoney, Jr., George F. Roberts, Thomas J. Shea and Donald R. Sims declared elected.

## — Precinct 2

### *Town Meeting Members for three years*

William J. Anderson, Jr.	312	John R. Hayes	288
Francis E. Dowd	320	Silvano B. Leon	21
Robert E. Gleason	313	Blanks	294
Eugene L. Belisle	287		

William J. Anderson, Jr., Francis E. Dowd, Robert E. Gleason, Eugene L. Belisle and John R. Hayes declared elected.

## — Precinct 3 —

### *Town Meeting Members for three years*

Warren S. Anthony	445	Frederick H. Langhorst	453
Norman M. Barlow	485	Arthur G. Miller	470
Richard L. Bennett	433	Kendell M. Pease	501
Frank M. Bishop	509	James W. Bell	373
Joseph J. Donovan	451	Nelson C. Port	389
John A. Hill, Jr.	478	Blanks	943

Warren S. Anthony, Norman M. Barlow, Richard L. Bennett, Frank M. Bishop, Joseph J. Donovan, John A. Hill, Jr., Frederick H. Langhorst, Arthur G. Miller, Kendell M. Pease and Nelson C. Port declared elected.

## — Precinct 4 —

### *Town Meeting Members for three years*

G. Milo Balcom	803	Daniel J. Murphy, Jr.	786
Howard K. Bere	762	James E. Vance	823
Mary L. Bigelow	737	John S. Wheeler	751
William F. Bigelow	769	Jessie W. Woods	736
Rodney Frazer	790	Charles E. McManus	730
Thomas F. J. Keighley	845	Lee Romanow	537
Robert E. Kiely	724	George H. Wallace	628
Carleton R. Leavitt	734	Blanks	4273

G. Milo Balcom, Howard K. Bere, Mary L. Bigelow, William F. Bigelow, Rodney Frazer, Thomas F. J. Keighley, Robert E. Kiely, Carleton R. Leavitt, Daniel J. Murphy, Jr., James E. Vance, John S. Wheeler, Jessie W. Woods, Charles E. McManus and George H. Wallace declared elected.

## — Precinct 5 —

### *Town Meeting Members for three years*

William J. Blake	530	Winifred E. Gray	478
Leo R. Davern	463	Marshall Lebowitz	277
Chester Hamilton	490	Henri Prunaret	349
Owen T. Hillberg	416	Victor R. Strachan	333
William A. Hunt	533	Edith M. Tripp	409
Louis H. Paine	473	George E. Uhlin	437
Edwin H. Parkin, Jr.	492	Blanks	1482
Minna B. Satterfield	430		

William J. Blake, Leo R. Davern, Chester Hamilton, Owen T. Hillberg, William A. Hunt, Louis H. Paine, Edwin H. Parkin, Jr., Minna B. Satterfield, Winifred E. Gray, Edith M. Tripp and George E. Uhlin declared elected.

## — Precinct 6 —

### *Town Meeting Members for three years*

Carl E. Hatch	605	Paul G. Goldberg	330
Richard A. Robbins	671	C. Oswald Peters	568
Richard S. Sanderson	700	Joel Rome	361
George R. Stockbridge	629	Jean B. Thompson	535
William F. Wells	604	Joseph A. Todisco	232
Donald G. Crawford	574	Blanks	1220
Walter P. Gleason	576		

Carl E. Hatch, Richard A. Robbins, Richard S. Sanderson, George R. Stockbridge, William F. Wells, Donald G. Crawford, Walter P. Gleason, C. Oswald Peters and Jean B. Thompson declared elected.

— Precinct 7 —

*Town Meeting Members for three years*

Herbert S. Church	603	Fred S. Woods	577
Clayton E. Cox	579	Antonio G. Armata	552
Olin W. Hayes	588	John F. Burbey	539
Goldwin L. Holbrook	562	O. Edwin Swenson	600
Allan S. Ross	532	Sergio J. Temprendola	550
Arthur E. Taddeo	610	Blanks	3490
Corinne R. Woodbury	574		

Herbert S. Church, Clayton E. Cox, Olin W. Hayes, Goldwin L. Holbrook, Allan S. Ross, Arthur E. Taddeo, Corinne R. Woodbury, Fred S. Woods, Antonio G. Armata, John F. Burbey, O. Edwin Swenson and Sergio J. Temprendola declared elected.

— Precinct 8 —

*Town Meeting Members for three years*

Ernest R. Bartlett	289	Chester E. Johnson	282
Myron J. Douglas	319	Harold M. Porter	198
Edward F. Perry	300	Blanks	289
Frank Webber	278		

Ernest R. Bartlett, Myron J. Douglas, Edward F. Perry, Frank Webber and Chester E. Johnson declared elected.

A true copy of the votes cast as returned by the Precinct Officers and tabulated by the Board of Registrars.

At the conclusion of the count in each Precinct the ballots and check lists were sealed, properly endorsed and delivered to the Town Clerk for safe keeping as prescribed by law.

Adjourned.

A Record of the Proceedings, Election Day.

JAMES H. FLEMING,  
Town Clerk of Natick

A true copy.

Attest:

JAMES H. FLEMING,  
Town Clerk of Natick

You are further required to notify the aforesaid qualified Voters of said Town of Natick to meet in the Senior High School Auditorium, Natick,

**TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 1956**

at 7:30 o'clock P.M., and then and there to act on the following articles:

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof in each of the post offices in said Natick and at the following public places in said Natick, to wit: Entrance to Selectmen's Rooms, Main Street Entrance to Concert Hall, Natick Police Station and Central Fire Station in Natick; Pine's Market, Felchville; Former Hose House Bulletin Board, North Natick; Pole #15 at intersection of Everett and Cottage Streets, Little South; Drug Store at south east corner of Worcester and Oak Streets, East Natick; Pole at intersection of Speen and Mill Streets, West Natick; and Paul Dowd's Store, South Natick, seven days at least before said March 5, 1956; also, by causing an attested copy of said Warrant to be published once in the newspapers called "The Natick Herald," and "The Natick Bulletin," said publications to be seven days at least before the day appointed for said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the time appointed for holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this 30th day of January A.D. 1956.

WILLIAM F. WELLS,  
O. EDWIN SWENSON,  
Selectmen of Natick.

A true copy.

Attest:

JOHN H. HEFFERNAN,  
Constable.

February 1, 1956.



# OFFICER'S RETURN COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.

Natick, February 11, 1956

By virtue of this Warrant I have notified the qualified voters of the said Town of Natick, to meet at the times, places and for the purposes within specified by posting attested copies of said Warrant at the several locations and places therein designated for that purpose, Saturday, February 11, 1956, also by causing an attested copy of said Warrant to be published in the newspapers called "The Natick Herald" and "The Natick Bulletin," newspapers published in the said Town of Natick, in the issues dated February 2, 1956, all as within directed.

JOHN H. HEFFERNAN  
Constable of Natick

A Record of the Warrant and Officer's Return thereon.

JAMES H. FLEMING,  
Town Clerk of Natick

A true copy.

Attest:

JAMES H. FLEMING,  
Town Clerk of Natick

## ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, 1956 SECOND SESSION, MARCH 20, 1956

Meeting called to order by the Moderator at 7:45 P.M. and stated that there was a Quorum present.

Invocation delivered by Rev. Albert R. Phillips.

Voted, to waive the reading of the Warrant Articles.

The Finance Committee reported through its Secretary, Mr. Harold D. Grant.

### ARTICLE 1. (Personnel Board)

To see if the Town, pursuant to the authority contained in Section 108A of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, will vote to amend the By-Laws by adding to Article VI-A, Section V, a new paragraph deleting certain position titles, adding new position titles and effecting certain changes in the salary ranges as presently established, substantially as follows, and will provide the money necessary therefor.

POSITION	TITLE	PAY PLAN			
		After 1 Year	After 2 Years	After 3 Years	After 4 Years
	Start				
<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>					
Chief .....	\$5800	\$5950	\$6100	\$6250	\$6400
Deputy Chief .....	4400	4500	4600	4700	4800
Captain .....	4000	4100	4200	4300	4400
Fire Alarm Mechanic .....	3800	3900	4000	4100	4200
Mechanic .....	3800	3900	4000	4100	4200
Firefighter .....	3550	3650	3750	3850	3950
<b>LIBRARY</b>					
Head Librarian .....	\$4100	\$4200	\$4300	\$4400	\$4500
Asst. Librarian and Cataloguer .....	3600	3700	3800	3900	4000
Children's Librarian .....	3400	3500	3600	3700	3800
Bookmobile Librarian .....	3400	3500	3600	3700	3800
Assistant Librarian .....	3300	3400	3500	3600	3700
Part-Time Library Asst. -A- ....		\$1.30 per hour			
Part-Time Library Asst. -B- ....		\$1.00 per hour			
Library Custodian .....	2800	2900	3000	3100	3200
Part-Time Library Custodian ..		\$1.30 per hour			

	Start	After 1 Year	After 2 Years	After 3 Years	After 4 Years
<b>MOTH AND TREE DEPARTMENT</b>					
Tree Climber .....		\$1.75	per hour		
Apprentice Tree Climber .....		\$1.55	per hour		
Laborer .....		\$1.45	per hour		
<b>PARK DEPARTMENT</b>					
Group Leader .....		\$1.60	per hour		
Laborer .....		\$1.45	per hour		
<b>POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>					
Chief .....	\$5800	\$5950	\$6100	\$6250	\$6400
Sergeant .....	4000	4100	4200	4300	4400
Patrolman .....	3550	3650	3750	3850	3950
Janitor .....	2900	3000	3100	3200	3300
Reserve Patrolman .....	3550	— single annual rate			
Policewoman .....	85	90	95	100	105
Police Matron .....		\$1.25	per hour		
<b>PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT</b>					
Sanitarian .....	\$4400	\$4500	\$4600	\$4700	\$4800
Head Nurse .....	3550	3650	3750	3850	3950
Nurse .....	3450	3550	3650	3750	3850
Dental Clinic Hygienist (wkly.)	46	48	50	52	54
Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering .....	1300	— single annual rate			
Burial Officer .....	300	— single annual rate			
Mosquito Control Superintend- ent (per week) .....	61.00	63.50	66.00	68.50	71.00
Laborer .....		\$1.45	per hour		
<b>PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT</b>					
Director of Public Works .....	\$8200	\$8450	\$8700	\$8950	\$9200
Chief Engineer .....	5000	5150	5300	5450	5600
Civil Engineer .....	4830	4950	5070	5190	5310
Master Mechanic .....	4720	4820	4940	5060	5180
Foreman—Water and Sewer Division .....	4260	4360	4480	4600	4720
Foreman—Highway Division ..	4260	4360	4480	4600	4720
Power Shovel Operator .....	4260	4360	4480	4600	4720
Chief Clerk .....	4020	4120	4240	4360	4480
Assistant Foreman—Water and Sewer Division .....	3920	4020	4140	4260	4380
Assistant Foreman — Highway Division .....	3920	4020	4140	4260	4380
Sanitation Division Leader .....	3920	4020	4140	4260	4380
Mechanic .....	3920	4020	4140	4260	4380
Bulldozer Operator .....	3700	3800	3920	4040	4160
Grader Operator .....	3700	3800	3920	4040	4160
Engineering Aide I .....	3550	3650	3770	3890	4010
Engineering Aide II .....	3450	3550	3670	3790	3910
Operator—Disposal Plant .....	3450	3550	3670	3790	3910
Operator—Sewer Station .....	3450	3550	3670	3790	3910
Operator—Water Pumping Sta- tion .....	3450	3550	3670	3790	3910
Motor Mechanic .....	3450	3550	3670	3790	3910
Roller Operator .....	3450	3550	3670	3790	3910
Field and Office Clerk .....	3350	3450	3570	3690	3810
Stock Clerk .....	3350	3450	3570	3690	3810

	Start	After 1 Year	After 2 Years	After 3 Years	After 4 Years
Collector in Sanitation Division .....	3350	3450	3570	3690	3810
Street Sweeper Operator .....	3350	3450	3570	3690	3810
Meter Reader .....	3350	3450	3570	3690	3810
Meter Mechanic .....	3350	3450	3570	3690	3810
Skilled Laborer .....	3350	3450	3570	3690	3810
Sec. to Bd. of Pub. Wks. ....	300	350	400	450	500
Spare Help:					
Skilled Laborer .....		\$1.55	per hour		
Semi-Skilled Laborer .....		\$1.50	per hour		
Laborer .....		\$1.45	per hour		
<b>RECREATION DEPARTMENT</b>					
Recreation Superintendent .....	\$4300	\$4400	\$4500	\$4600	\$4700
Assistant Superintendent .....	\$61.00	\$63.50	\$66.00	\$68.50	\$71.00
Specialist .....	42.00	44.00	46.00	48.00	50.00
Playground Leader .....	40.00	42.00	44.00	46.00	48.00
Asst. Playground Leader .....	35.00	per week			
Apprentice Playground Leader .....	25.00	per week			
Recreation Leader .....	6.00	per session			
Beach Manager .....	70.00	72.00	74.00	76.00	78.00
Senior Lifeguard .....	1.55	per hour			
Beach Lifeguard .....	1.50	per hour			
Part-Time Lifeguard .....	1.40	per hour			
Senior Swimming Instructor ...	50.00	per week			
Junior Swimming Instructor ...	40.00	per week			
Apprentice Swimming Instructor	35.00	per week			
Swimming Instructor:					
Evening Service .....	5.00	per evening			
Beach Guard (night) .....	1.50	per hour			
Beach Matron .....	1.30	per hour			
Clothing Attendant .....	1.25	per hour			
Skilled Laborer .....	1.55	per hour			
Laborer .....	1.45	per hour			
<b>SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENTS</b>					
Town Accountant .....	\$5000	\$5150	\$5300	\$5450	\$5600
Building Inspector .....	4400	4500	4600	4700	4800
Deputy Building Inspector .....	\$150	per year			
Plumbing Inspector .....	\$3.00	per inspection			
Wire Inspector .....	\$3.00	per inspection			
Director—Veterans' Services ..	3150	3250	3350	3450	3550
Town Counsel .....	2600	2700	2800	2900	3000
Sealer of Weights and Measures .....	2600	2700	2800	2900	3000
Registrar of Voters .....	\$500	per year			
Asst. to Reg. of Voters .....	\$1.20	per hour			
Dog Officer .....	\$700	per year			
Parking Meter Collector and Maintenance Officer .....	3350	3450	3570	3690	3810
Election Personnel:					
Precinct Warden .....	\$30.00	per election service			
Precinct Clerk .....	\$30.00	per election service			
Precinct Inspectors .....	\$1.10	per hour			
Election Workers .....	\$1.10	per hour			
Special Police Service:					
Town Functions .....	\$1.85	per hour			
<b>ASSESSORS' OFFICE</b>					
Chief Clerk .....	\$4020	\$4120	\$4240	\$4360	\$4480

	Start	After 1 Year	After 2 Years	After 3 Years	After 4 Years
<b>FINANCE COMMITTEE</b>					
Exec. Sec. to Finance Committee	500	550	600	650	700
<b>CLERICAL POSITIONS — ALL OFFICES</b>					
Principal Clerk .....	\$2800	\$2900	\$3000	\$3100	\$3200
Bookkeeper .....	2700	2800	2900	3000	3100
Senior Clerk .....	2600	2700	2800	2900	3000
Junior Clerk .....	2400	2500	2600	2700	2800
Part-Time Clerk .....	\$1.30 per hour				

**Voted**, pursuant to the authority contained in Section 108-A of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, vote to amend its By-Laws in Section XIV of Article VI-A Employees Classification and Pay Plan, by substituting for the present Official Pay Plan, the following new Official Pay Plan as stated in the Article, modified by substituting the following figures in said Article:

	Start	After 1 Year	After 2 Years	After 3 Years	After 4 Years
<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT:</b>					
Deputy Chief .....	\$4800	\$4900	\$5000	\$5100	\$5200
Captain .....	4300	4400	4500	4600	4700
Fire Alarm Mechanic .....	3950	4050	4150	4250	4350
Mechanic .....	3950	4050	4150	4250	4350
Firefighter .....	3700	3800	3900	4000	4100

**POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

Sergeant .....	\$4300	\$4400	\$4500	\$4600	\$4700
Patrolman .....	3700	3800	3900	4000	4100

and that the sum of \$16,086.50 be appropriated of which \$150.00 shall be taken from Parking Meter Fees Reserve and \$15,936.50 from Current Levy; and that said sum be allocated as follows:

Police Department Personal Services	\$ 5,837.50
Fire Department Personal Services	10,225.00
Recreation Commission Personal Services	24.00

**ARTICLE 2.**  
(Personnel Board)

To see if the Town will vote to amend its By-Laws by striking out Section 3 of Article III (a) and inserting in place thereof substantially the following:

"Section 3. Any regular, full time employee (except librarians and assistant librarians as hereinafter provided for and except school teachers) who has been in the employment of the Town for one year, shall be entitled to two weeks vacation, with pay, in each calendar year; and, any such employee who has completed ten years service shall be entitled to three weeks vacation, with pay, in each calendar year commencing subsequent to completion of such service; and, any such employee who has completed twenty years service shall be entitled to four weeks vacation, with pay, in each calendar year commencing subsequent to completion of such service. In any calendar year the Trustees of the Library may grant vacations with pay not exceeding four weeks to librarians and assistant librarians. No vacation to be cumulative beyond the calendar year in which allowed.

Any question of interpretation concerning vacation rights is to be referred to the Personnel Board, established under Section 1 of Article VI-A of the By-Laws, for decision."

or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, to amend its By-Laws by striking out Section 3 of Article III (a) and inserting in place thereof the following:

"Section 3. Any regular full time employee (except librarians and assistant librarians as hereinafter provided for and except school teachers) who has been in the employment of the Town for one year, shall be en-



titled to two weeks vacation, with pay, in each calendar year; and, any such employee who has completed ten years service shall be entitled to three weeks vacation with pay in each calendar year commencing subsequent to completion of such service; and, any such employee who has completed twenty years service shall be entitled to four weeks vacation, with pay, in each calendar year commencing subsequent to completion of such service. In any calendar year the Trustees of the Library may grant vacations with pay not exceeding four weeks to librarians and assistant librarians. No vacation to be cumulative beyond the calendar year in which allowed.

Any question of interpretation concerning vacation rights is to be referred to the Personnel Board, established under Section 1 of Article VI-A of the By-Laws, for decision."

#### APPROVAL OF ATTORNEY GENERAL:

Boston, Mass., June 4, 1956

The foregoing amendment to by-laws is hereby approved.

*George Fingold*, Attorney General

A true copy.

Attest:

JAMES H. FLEMING

Town Clerk of Natick

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#### ARTICLE 3. (Personnel Board)

To see if the Town will vote to amend its By-Laws by adding the following section to Article III (a) thereof:

Section 4. Any regular full time employee (except for those appointed by the School Committee and those appointed by the Welfare Department) in the employ of the Town shall receive sick leave benefits subject to the following provisions:

A. The Personnel Board established under Section 1 of Article VI-A of the Town By-Laws, shall have final determination of all matters arising out of this Section and may establish rules and policies for the administration hereof. The decision of the Personnel Board in any matter pertaining to sick leave benefits shall be final and conclusive.

B. If an employee is incapacitated in the performance of his duties, and is so certified in writing by a practicing physician, the term of receiving compensation shall be based on the following:

1. If such employee is insured under the Workmen's Compensation Law, the Town, upon approval by the Personnel Board of the employee's claim to occupational sick leave payments shall make up the difference between the employee's regular compensation and the amount paid by the insurer. For the purposes of calculating payments by the Town under this paragraph, the phrase "amount paid by the insurer" shall mean the amount paid for "wage benefits" only and not the amounts paid by said insurer for medical benefits, hospital benefits or other features. After payments by said insurer have ceased, further payments by the Town shall be made only upon the report of the employing department head supported by further written medical testimony, and shall be subject to the approval of the Personnel Board. As used in this paragraph, the word "insured" shall have the same meaning as is prescribed in Sub-Section 7 of Section 1 of Chapter 152 of the General Laws, as amended.

2. If an employee is not insured under the Workmen's Compensation Law, full pay shall be awarded for the first three days of incapacity upon approval of the employing department head and thereafter further payments by the Town shall be made only upon the specific recommendation of the employing department head supported by written medical testimony, and shall be subject to the approval of the Personnel Board.

C. After six months full time employment, during which period no



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benefits shall accrue except as otherwise provided in paragraph B hereof, employees shall be entitled to one day of sick leave with pay for each month of full time employment. Employees may accumulate unused benefits up to a total of ninety days. Benefits by way of accumulated days of sick leave for past years of service shall be granted by the Personnel Board to full time employees at the rate of two days of sick leave for each year of

full time service to the Town as of the effective date hereof but not to exceed thirty days.

D. The granting of non-occupational sick leave and payment of compensation during such period shall be subject to the following provisions:

1. An employing department head, without prior approval of the Personnel Board or medical evidence, may grant sick leave with pay to any employee of his department for a maximum of six days in any calendar year but not more than three days at any one time.

2. For any period in excess of three days the employing department head after investigation shall submit a report to the Personnel Board which shall be considered along with written medical evidence submitted by the employee and a determination shall be made by the Personnel Board of the employee's right to the benefits set forth in paragraph C of this Section.

3. No sick leave benefits shall be granted to seasonal, part-time or temporary employees nor shall any benefits be granted for pregnancy, excessive use of alcohol or drugs.

4. Full time employees compensated on an hourly basis shall receive benefits hereunder at the rate of the standard Town work week hours times the hourly rate of the employees.

5. Upon the request of the employee emergency leave not exceeding three days shall be allowed by the employing department head for death in an employee's immediate family; such emergency leave shall be chargeable against the employee's sick leave benefits and shall be allowed in case of death of parents, spouse, parents of spouse, children, brother or sister.

E. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to conflict with Chapter 31 of the General Laws as amended. The provisions of this by-law are hereby declared to be severable and if any such provision or the application of any such provision to any person or circumstances shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unconstitutional shall not be construed to effect the validity, legality, or constitutionality of any of the remaining provisions or the application of said by-laws to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is held invalid, illegal or unconstitutional.

or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, to amend its By-Laws by adding the following section to Article III (a) thereof:

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Boston, Mass., June 4, 1956

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*George Fingold, Attorney General*

A true copy.

Attest:

JAMES H. FLEMING,  
Town Clerk of Natick

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#### ARTICLE 4. (Town Accountant)

To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended.

Motion of the Finance Committee to fix the yearly salary of all elective officers



of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, as follows:

Chairman of Board of Selectmen	\$ 550.00
Second Member of Board of Selectmen	440.00
Third Member of Board of Selectmen	440.00
Town Treasurer	2,100.00
Town Clerk	1,000.00
Tax Collector	4,700.00
First Member of Board of Assessors	1,500.00
Second Member of Board of Assessors	1,500.00
Third Member of Board of Assessors	1,500.00
Chairman of Board of Public Works	100.00
Second Member of Board of Public Works	100.00
Third Member of Board of Public Works	100.00
Tree Warden	2,400.00
Chairman of Board of Public Welfare	110.00
Second Member of Board of Public Welfare	110.00
Third Member of Board of Public Welfare	110.00
Chairman of Board of Public Health	330.00
Second Member of Board of Public Health	220.00
Third Member of Board of Public Health	220.00

and, as provided in Section 4-A of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, to authorize the employment of physicians who are members of the Board of Health to conduct Diphtheria, Tetanus, Whooping Cough and Baby Clinics at a yearly salary of \$300.00 per member.

All other elective officers to serve without pay; and that the salary rates as fixed shall be effective from January first.

**Voted**, on amendment of Chester E. Johnson, Tax Collector, that the figure \$5,600.00 be substituted for the figure \$4,700.00; hand vote, with tellers; yeas, 113; nays, 54.

Motion of Finance Committee, as amended, voted, unanimously.

## ARTICLE 5. (Town Accountant)

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide, for General Government for maintenance and operation of the following departments, and other purposes, for the current year:

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| 1. Finance Committee | 10. Public Works Administration            |
| 2. Personnel Board   | 11. Public Works Engineering               |
| 3. Selectmen         | 12. Public Works Motor Vehicle Maintenance |
| 4. Accountant        | 13. Election and Registration              |
| 5. Treasurer         | 14. Planning Board                         |
| 6. Tax Collector     | 15. Rent of Town Offices                   |
| 7. Assessors         | 16. Town Offices Building Maintenance      |
| 8. Law               |  |
| 9. Town Clerk        |  |

**Voted**, unanimously, that the sum of \$256,264.98 be appropriated for General Government for the specific purposes hereinafter designated, and that same be expended only for such purposes under the direction of the respective Boards, Committees or Officers of the Town, itemized as follows:

Finance Committee—Personal Services	\$ 655.00
Finance Committee—Expense	350.00
Personnel Board—Personal Services	175.00
Personnel Board—Expense	275.00
Selectmen—Personal Services	4,439.00
Selectmen—Expense	1,352.00
Town Accountant—Personal Services	9,150.00
Town Accountant—Expense	895.00
Workmen's Comp. (all depts.)	18,424.75
Town Treasurer—Personal Services	9,445.00
Town Treasurer—Expense	4,135.00

Certification of Notes	250.00
Tax Collector—Personal Services	11,100.00
Tax Collector—Expense	4,058.00
Assessors—Personal Services	22,215.00
Assessors—Expense	2,860.00
Law—Personal Services	2,700.00
Law—Expense	400.00
Town Clerk—Personal Services	8,350.00
Town Clerk—Expense	1,360.00
PWD—Administration—Personal Services	28,806.68
PWD—Administration—Expense	9,105.00
PWD—Administration—Bldg. Renovations & Alterations	4,700.00
PWD—Administration—Out of State Travel	450.00
PWD—Engineering—Personal Services	18,427.50
PWD—Engineering—Expense	660.00
PWD—Motor Vehicle Maint.—Personal Services	21,252.05
PWD—Motor Vehicle Maint.—Expense	29,200.00
Election & Registration—Personal Services	18,856.00
Election & Registration—Expense	7,725.00
Planning Board	620.00
Rent of Town Offices	11,742.00
Town Offices Building Maintenance	2,132.00

and that said sum of \$256,264.98 be appropriated as follows: \$16,838.71 to be taken from the earnings of the Sewer Division; \$26,684.75 from the earnings of the Water Division; \$57.73 from the Unencumbered Balance of the State Census of 1955 appropriation established under Article 48 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting in 1954; \$30.00 from the Unencumbered Balance of the Clark's Block Sidewalk Repairs Committee Appropriation established under Article 21 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in 1955; \$173.90 from the Unencumbered Balance of the Town Manager Study Committee Appropriation established under Article 47 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in 1952; and \$212,479.89 from the Current Tax Levy.

#### ARTICLE 6. (Town Accountant)

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide, for Protection of Life and Property for maintenance and operation of the following departments, and other purposes, for the current year:

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| 1. Police Department              | 6. Moth Department   |
| 2. Fire Department                | 7. Dutch Elm Disease |
| 3. Militia Rifle Ranges           | 8. Tree Department   |
| 4. Building Department            | 9. Dog Officer       |
| 5. Sealer of Weights and Measures | 10. Civil Defense    |

**Voted**, unanimously, that the sum of \$454,650.65 be appropriated for Protection of Life and Property for the specific purposes hereinafter designated, and that the same be expended only for such purposes under the direction of the respective Boards, Committees or Offices of the Town, itemized as follows:

Police—Personal Services	\$152,244.08
Police—Expense	15,275.00
Police—Clothing Allowance	2,025.00
Police—Out of State Travel	300.00
Court Quarters Expense	3,200.00
Fire—Personal Services	208,276.57
Fire—Expense	14,300.00
Fire—Clothing Allowance	1,325.00
Fire—Out of State Travel	150.00
Extend Fire Alarm System	3,500.00
Replacement of 2½" Fire Hose	1,800.00
Fence and Hot Top Speen St. Station Areas	2,200.00
Militia Rifle Ranges	300.00
Building Dept.—Personal Services	11,450.00
Building Dept.—Expense	935.00

Sealer of Weights—Personal Services	3,100.00
Sealer of Weights—Expense	490.00
Moth Dept.—Personal Services	4,943.00
Moth Dept.—Expense	1,225.00
Dutch Elm Disease Control	9,332.00
Tree Dept.—Personal Services	9,900.00
Tree Dept.—Expense	4,030.00
Dog Officer—Personal Services	925.00
Dog Officer—Expense	225.00
Civil Defense Program Local Expense	800.00
Civil Defense Program Auxiliary Fire	750.00
Civil Defense Program Auxiliary Police	1,000.00
Civil Defense Program Communications	300.00
Civil Defense Program Medical	150.00
Civil Defense Program Out of State Travel	200.00

and that said sum of \$454,650.65 be appropriated as follows: \$3,950.00 to be taken from Parking Meter Fees Reserve and \$450,700.65 from the Current Tax Levy.

#### ARTICLE 7. (Town Accountant)

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide, for Health and Sanitation for maintenance and operation of the following departments, and other purposes, for the current year:

1. Board of Health
2. Dental Clinic
3. Mosquito Control
4. Sewer Department
5. Refuse and Garbage Collection and Disposal

**Voted**, unanimously, that the sum of \$174,895.68 be appropriated for Health and Sanitation for the specific purposes hereinafter designated, and that same be expended only for such purposes under the direction of the respective Boards, Committees or Officers of the Town, itemized as follows:

Health Dept.—Personal Services	\$19,240.00
Health Dept.—Expense	19,047.50
Health Dental Clinic	7,684.00
Health Mosquito Control	11,149.00
PWD Sewer Division—Personal Services	28,395.25
PWD Sewer Division—Expense	18,950.00
Interest on Sewer Notes and Bonds	1,323.00
Sewer Notes and Bonds Payable	4,200.00
PWD Sewer Division Building Alterations and Repairs	2,000.00
Refuse and Garbage—Personal Services	61,806.93
Refuse and Garbage—Expense	1,100.00

and that said sum of \$174,895.68 be appropriated as follows: \$22,495.98 to be taken from the earnings of the Sewer Division; \$41,000.00 from Surplus Revenue, and \$111,399.70 from the Current Tax Levy.

#### ARTICLE 8. (Town Accountant)

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide, for Highways and Bridges for maintenance and operation of the Highway Department, and other purposes, for the current year.

**Voted**, unanimously, that the sum of \$213,112.68 be appropriated for Highways and Bridges for the specific purposes hereinafter designated, and that same be expended only for such purposes under the direction of the respective Boards, Committees or Officers of the Town, itemized as follows:

PWD Highway Division—Personal Services	\$93,996.68
PWD Highway Division—Expense	24,600.00
Snow Removal	20,000.00
Widen Street Corners	1,500.00
Repairs to Private Ways	500.00

Boston & Albany Bridges	1,500.00
Traffic Marking and Signs	3,500.00
Retaining Walls and Fences	1,000.00
Sidewalk—Curbing Repairs	8,000.00
Sidewalk Construction	7,000.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance	3,000.00
Building Alterations and Repairs	1,500.00
Street Lighting	38,475.00
Additional Street Lights	684.00
Traffic Signals and Control Tower	1,047.00
Christmas Season Lighting	750.00
Parking Meter Maintenance	5,260.00
Off-Street Parking Lot Maintenance	800.00

and that said sum of \$213,112.68 be appropriated as follows: \$15,880.00 to be taken from Parking Meter Fees Reserve; \$3,309.97 to be taken from the Unencumbered Balance of the Marion, Eliot and Beacon Streets Drain Appropriation established under Article II of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in 1953; and \$193,922.71 from the Current Tax Levy;

and that the sidewalk construction be done under the Betterment Act by the Public Works Department, one-half the cost to be assessed to the abutters.

#### ARTICLE 9. (Town Accountant)

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide, for the Public Welfare Department for the current year.

**Voted**, that the following sums be appropriated for the Public Welfare Department:

Salary of Board	\$ 330.00
Salaries	28,960.00
Public Assistance	255,000.00
Total	<u>\$284,290.00</u>

#### ARTICLE 10. (Town Accountant)

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide, for Veterans' Benefits and Veterans' Services for the current year.

**Voted**, unanimously, that the following sums be appropriated for Veterans' Benefits and Veterans' Services:

Veterans' Services Personal Services	\$6,550.00
Veterans' Services Expense	900.00
Veterans' Benefits	22,000.00
Total	<u>\$29,450.00</u>

#### ARTICLE 11. (Town Accountant)

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide, for the support of schools for the current year.

Motion made and seconded by the Finance Committee that the following sums be appropriated for the School Department:

Personal Services		\$1,254,933.78
Expense		29,300.00
Fuel	37,000.00	
Less—Non School Use	3,000.00	34,000.00
Light and Power	29,500.00	
Less—Non School Use	2,000.00	27,500.00
Textbooks and Supplies	75,000.00	
Less—Federal Aid Funds	12,000.00	63,000.00



Transportation	60,000.00
Building Repairs and Janitor Supplies	37,500.00
Out of State Travel	700.00
Physical Education	10,000.00
School Lunch Program	2,000.00
Care of Grounds	18,290.00
Non-School Use of Schools	13,000.00
of which \$3,000.00 is allocated for Fuel and	
\$2,000.00 is allocated for Light and Power	
Lights—Junior High School	3,500.00
Bennett-Hemenway Field Drainage	4,000.00
New Equipment (other than Office Machines)	4,400.00

Total	\$1,562,123.78
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and that said sum of \$1,562,123.78 be appropriated as follows: \$8.11 from the Unencumbered Balance of the Non School Use of School Buildings Appropriation established under Article 38 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in 1955; \$.40 from the Unencumbered Balance of the Elementary School Plans Appropriation established under Article 11 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in 1954, and \$1,562,115.27 from the Current Tax Levy.

**Voted**, on motion of William J. Anderson, Jr., that the School Department budget be amended by adding the sum of \$4000 to the appropriation for Personal Services, thereby increasing the appropriation for Personal Services to \$1,258,933.78.

The motion of the Finance Committee, as amended by motion of William J. Anderson, Jr., was now put and voted, unanimously; making the total appropriation for the School Department \$1,566,123.78 and increasing the amount to be taken from Current Tax Levy to \$1,566,115.27.

**Voted**, to adjourn to next Tuesday evening, March 27th, 7:30 in this hall.

Adjourned 11:50 P.M.

A Record of the Proceedings of the Second Session.

JAMES H. FLEMING,  
Town Clerk of Natick.

A true copy.

Attest:

JAMES H. FLEMING,  
Town Clerk of Natick.

## ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, 1956 THIRD SESSION, MARCH 27, 1956

Meeting called to order by the Moderator at 7:50 P.M. and stated that there was a Quorum present.

### ARTICLE 12. (Town Accountant)

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide, for Libraries for maintenance and operation of the following departments for the current year:

1. Morse Institute Library

2. Bacon Free Library

**Voted**, unanimously, that the sum of \$54,410.00 be appropriated for Libraries for the specific purposes hereinafter designated, and that same be expended only for such purposes under the direction of the respective Boards of Trustee of the Morse Institute and a committee of 5 appointed by the Moderator for the Bacon Free Library, itemized as follows:

Morse Institute Library Personal Services	\$43,100.00
Morse Institute Library Expense	7,975.00
and for the Bacon Free Library Expense	3,335.00

and that said sum of \$54,410.00 be appropriated as follows: \$3,242.65 to be

taken from the County Dog Licenses for 1955 Account and \$51,167.35 from the Current Tax Levy.

Committee: Arnold W. Hunnewell, Edward A. Baldwin, Jr., William F. Callahan, Harrison Pfeiffer and Marion Pfeiffer.

ARTICLE 13.  
(Town Accountant)

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide, for Recreation for maintenance and operation of the following departments for the current year:

1. Park Department

2. Recreation Commission

Voted, unanimously, that the sum of \$57,921.40 be appropriated for Recreation for the specific purposes hereinafter designated, and that same be expended only for such purposes under the direction of the respective Boards, Committees or Officers of the Town, itemized as follows:

Park Department Personal Services	\$13,559.80
Park Department Expense	6,290.00
New Backstop at Whitney Field	400.00
New Backstop at Coolidge Field	275.00
Recreation Commission Personal Services	25,466.60
Recreation Commission Expense	2,530.00
Out of State Travel — Recreation	100.00
Little League	3,000.00
Beach Improvements & Maintenance	4,000.00
Playground Maintenance	2,300.00

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ARTICLE 14.  
(Town Accountant)

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide, for Pensions and Annuities for the current year, as follows:

1. Non-Contributory Pensions

2. Non-Contributory Annuities

**Voted**, unanimously, that the following sum be appropriated for Pensions and Annuities:

Non-Contributory Pensions	\$28,949.61
Non-Contributory Annuities	2,400.00
Total	<u>\$31,349.61</u>

and that said sum of \$31,349.61 be appropriated as follows: \$1,304.21 to be taken from the earnings of the Water Division and \$30,045.40 from the Current Tax Levy.

ARTICLE 15.  
(Town Accountant)

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate for the Contributory Retirement System for the current year, as follows:

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| 1. Administration Expense | 3. Military Service Credit |
| 2. Pension Fund           |                            |

**Voted**, unanimously, that the following sums be appropriated for the Contributory Retirement System:

Administration Expense	\$ 3,485.00
Pension Fund	37,657.00
Military Service Credit	144.00
Total	<u>\$41,286.00</u>

ARTICLE 16.  
(Town Accountant)

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide, for Unclassified for the current year, as follows:

1. Memorial & Veterans' Day
2. Care of Veterans' Graves
3. Care of Boden Lane Cemetery
4. Town Clocks' Maintenance
5. Printing Town Reports
6. Insurance—Town Buildings
7. Group Life Insurance
8. Rental Veterans' Headquarters
9. Mass. Teachers' Retirement
10. Reserve Fund

**Voted**, unanimously, that the sum of \$62,181.14 be appropriated for Unclassified for the specific purposes hereinafter designated and that same be expended only for such purposes under the direction of the respective Boards, Committees or Officers of the Town, itemized as follows:

Memorial and Veterans' Day	\$ 1,750.00
Care of Veterans' Graves	431.00
Care of Boden Lane Cemetery	125.00
Town Clocks' Maintenance	100.00
Printing Town Reports	3,000.00
Insurance—Town Buildings	9,489.14
Group Life Insurance	4,232.00
Rental Veterans' Headquarters	2,304.00
Mass. Teachers' Retirement	750.00
Reserve Fund	40,000.00

ARTICLE 17.  
(Town Accountant)

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide, for the maintenance and operation of the Water Department for the current year.

**Voted**, unanimously, that the following sums be appropriated from the earnings of the Water Department for the maintenance and operation of the Water Department:

Personal Services	\$ 51,954.30
Expense	37,300.00
Interest on Bonds	4,463.00
Bonds Payable	26,000.00
Calgon	1,700.00
Building Alterations & Repairs	5,200.00
Total	<u>\$126,617.30</u>

ARTICLE 18.  
(Town Accountant)

To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or otherwise provide, for Interest and Maturing Debt for the current year:

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| 1. Interest | 2. Maturing Debt |
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**Voted**, unanimously, that the following sums be appropriated for Interest and Maturing Debt:

Interest	\$133,732.75
Maturing Debt	400,050.00
Total	<u>\$533,782.75</u>

and that said sum of \$533,782.75 be appropriated as follows: \$52,417.06 from the earnings of the Sewer Division; \$7,406.61 from Sewer Surplus Revenue; \$1,870.60 from the Unencumbered Balance of the Allen and School Street Sewer Appropriation established under Article 52 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in 1955; \$13.29 from the Unencumbered Balance of the New Senior High School Appropriation established under Article 19 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in 1952; \$19,329.74 from the Unencumbered Balance of the Sewer Pump Station, Force Mains and Mains Appropriation established under Article 2 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting held May 2, 1950; \$2,887.50 from Parking Meter Fees Reserve; \$129.70 from the Premium on Bay State Road Sewer Loan; \$14.00 from the Accrued Interest on Wellesley at Natick Sewer Service Loan; \$21.20 from the Accrued Interest on Speen Street Bridge Temporary Loan; \$11.67 from the Accrued Interest on Speen Street Bridge Loan; and \$449,681.38 from the Current Tax Levy.

ARTICLE 19.  
(Town Accountant)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or otherwise provide, a sum or sums of money for the purchase of new equipment for the following departments:

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| 1. Personnel Board             | 8. Health Dental Clinic    |
| 2. Board of Assessors          | 9. Health Mosquito Control |
| 3. Public Works Administration | 10. Highway Department     |
| 4. Public Works Engineering    | 11. Park Department        |
| 5. Police Department           | 12. Recreation Commission  |
| 6. Fire Department             | 13. Water Department       |
| 7. Board of Health             |                            |

**Voted**, to appropriate the sum of \$55,178.00 to purchase new equipment for the following departments:

Personnel Board	\$ 250.00
Board of Assessors	5,353.00
PWD Administration	8,750.00
PWD Engineering	2,900.00
Police Department	4,900.00



Fire Department	7,500.00
Health Department	300.00
Dental Clinic	100.00
Mosquito Control	2,200.00
PWD Highway	11,850.00
Park Department	1,150.00
Recreation Committee	850.00
PWD Water	9,075.00

and that said sum of \$55,178.00 be appropriated as follows: \$9,075.00 from the earnings of the Water Department; \$425.00 from Parking Meters Fees Reserve; \$36.65 from the Unencumbered Balance of the Highway New Equipment Appropriation established under Article 41 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in 1954; \$11,388.35 from the Road Machinery Fund, and \$34,253.00 from the Current Tax Levy;

and that the above sums of money be expended by the Central Purchasing Committee established under Article 18 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in 1955, and that said Committee be authorized to trade in all equipment being replaced by these purchases.

Committee: Town Treasurer, Richard H. Potter; Member Finance Committee, Charles W. Whitaker; Town Accountant, Richard E. Gould; Business Manager School Department, John E. Gilleland; and Director of Public Works, Walter F. Burdick.

#### ARTICLE 20. (Town Accountant)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or otherwise provide, such sums of money as may be required for the payment of Unpaid Bills of previous years incurred by the several departments, boards, and officers of the Town.

**Voted**, unanimously, Indefinite Postponement.

#### ARTICLE 21. (Board of Selectmen)

To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to appropriate to settle claims for damage pending against the Town in which the claimants are willing to accept the sums recommended by the Selectmen, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, Indefinite Postponement.

#### ARTICLE 22. (Board of Selectmen)

To hear and act upon the reports of the several Town Officers and the reports of Committees authorized by vote of any former Town Meeting, and to authorize the appointment of any Committee the Town may think necessary and to appropriate sums of money for the purpose thereof or to take any action relative thereto.

Motion of the Finance Committee

A. That the reports of the Various Town Officers as printed in the Town Report of 1955 be accepted.

B. That the reports of the following Committees be accepted and that the Committees be continued: Revaluation of Taxable Property Committee, appointed under Article 47 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in 1955; Workmen's Compensation Insurance Study Committee, appointed under Article 21 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in 1955; War Memorials Study Committee, appointed under Article 21 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of 1955; Central Purchasing Committee, appointed under Article 19 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in 1955; Record Storage Vault Study Committee, appointed under Article 48 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in 1955; Cole School Building Committee, appointed under Article 1 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting held November 15, 1955; West Natick Fire Station Building Committee, appointed under Article 44 of

the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in 1955; Police Courthouse Building Addition Committee, appointed under Article 42 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in 1955.

C. That the reports of the following Committees be accepted and that the Committees be discharged with a vote of thanks: Senior High School Building Committee, appointed under Article 19 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in 1952; Regional School District Planning Committee, appointed under Article 16 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting held April 27, 1954; Clark's Block Sidewalk Repairs Committee, appointed under Article 45 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting held April 27, 1954.

D. That the following Committees be continued: Present Town Service Study Committee, appointed under Article 21 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in 1955; Garage and Maintenance of all Town Owned Vehicles Study Committee, appointed under Article 21 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in 1955.

E. That the Town Manager Study Committee, appointed under Article 47 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in 1952 be discharged with a vote of thanks.

F. Accept the report of the Natick Industrial Council, appointed under Article 57 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting held April 14, 1953, continue the Council, and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 from Surplus Revenue.

G. That the Moderator appoint the following new Committees:

- 1) A Committee of three to study all phases of Town Dumps and Incineration and report at a subsequent Town Meeting.
- 2) A Committee of three to study the advisability of having all accounts due the Town collected by the Collector of Taxes under the title of Town Collector and report at a subsequent Town Meeting.

**Voted**, unanimously, to amend Article 22 by adding to Section G, Item 3, that a Committee of Seven — one to be appointed from the Finance Committee, one from the School Committee, one from the Planning Board, and four to be appointed at large — to study all school areas and that this study include a determination of the feasibility of building additions to the existing schools and a review of school sites available and desirable for future school building in that area, and that this Committee report its findings and make recommendations to the School Committee and the Town Meeting on or before the next Town Meeting, regular or special. In view of the fact that there are very few possible sites left in that area, and that even these few can at any time become unavailable or unduly expensive, it shall be the duty of the Committee to base its planning on a long range basis, so that, by acting on its recommendations, the Town will be reasonably assured of possessing all the sites it will need to meet its future requirements.

**Voted**, to amend Article 22 by adding to Section G, Item 4, to refer Committee Report of the Long Range Planning Committee to the Planning Board for study.

**Voted**, to amend Article 22 by adding to Section G, Item 5, that the Moderator appoint a Committee of 5 to study feasibility of Town Manager Form of Government.

Motion of the Finance Committee, as amended, was now put and carried.

Committee under Section G, Item 1: Roger D. Williams, Temporary Chairman; Roger Doggett and John W. Young.

Committee under Section G, Item 2: Richard H. Potter, Richard E. Gould and Chester E. Johnson.

Committee under Section G, Item 3: 1 Finance Committee Member, Charles W. Whitaker; 1 School Committee Member, Robert H. Anderson; 1 Planning Board Member, G. Milo Balcom; Mrs. Mary C. Gray, Daniel J. O'Leary, Minot B. MacDonald and Fletcher A. Hatch.

Committee under Section G, Item 5: George C. Allen, Temporary Chairman; Douglas L. Russell, Frank W. Durgin, Elizabeth B. Coolidge and Dorothy B. Read.

ARTICLE 23.  
(Town Treasurer)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1957, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money, from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1957, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

ARTICLE 24.  
(Department of Public Works)

(Requested by the School Department)

To see if the Town will vote to accept Emerson Street Extension as and for a public way and provide the sum of money necessary to pay the cost of construction, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, that the subject matter of this Article be referred to the School Committee for further study.

ARTICLE 25.  
(Department of Public Works)

To see if the Town will vote to accept Madison Street as and for a public way, under the provisions of Chapter 82 and 80 of the General Laws, as amended, providing for the assessments of betterments, and provide the sum of money necessary to pay the cost of construction or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, to accept Madison Street as and for a Public Way as the same has been laid out and filed by the Board of Public Works; work to be done under the provisions of Chapter 82 and 80 of the General Laws, as amended, providing for the assessment of betterments, by the Public Works Department, one half the cost to be assessed to the abutters.

ARTICLE 26.  
(Department of Public Works)

To see if the Town will vote to accept Birch Road as and for a public way, under the provisions of Chapter 82 and 80 of the General Laws, as amended, providing for the assessments of betterments and provide the sum of money necessary to pay the cost of construction or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, to accept Birch Road as and for a Public Way as the same has been laid out and filed by the Board of Public Works; work to be done under the provisions of Chapter 82 and 80 of the General Laws, as amended, providing for the assessment of betterments, by the Public Works Department, one half the cost to be assessed to the abutters.

ARTICLE 27.  
(Town Accountant)

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate or raise by borrowing or otherwise for construction of Public Ways accepted under Articles 24, 25, 26, or any of them, and act on anything relating thereto.

**Voted**, unanimously, that the sum of \$19,840.00 be appropriated to be expended for original construction, as follows:

Article 25 Madison Street	\$12,060.00
Article 26 Birch Road	7,780.00

and that the said sum of \$19,840.00 be appropriated from Surplus Revenue.

ARTICLE 28.  
(Department of Public Works)

To see if the Town will vote to accept the following streets as the same have been laid out and filed by the Board of Public Works:

Avon Lane	Lyman Street
Irving Road	Lynn Street
Liberty Street	Russell Circle
Bradford Road	Richard Road

or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, Indefinite Postponement.

ARTICLE 29.  
(Department of Public Works)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Public Works to resurface, reconstruct, or drain, Everett Street, Charles Street, Oakland Street Extension, Oak Knoll Road, rebuild the existing culvert on Mill Street, rebuild and lower the culvert on Oak Street at Jennings Pond, appropriate or borrow money to pay for the same or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, to authorize the Board of Public Works to resurface, reconstruct, or drain, Everett Street, Charles Street, Oak Knoll Road, rebuild the existing culvert on Mill Street, rebuild and lower the culvert on Oak Street at Jennings Pond and that the sum of \$19,630.00 be appropriated as follows: \$275.00 from Water Surplus Revenue and \$19,355.00 from Surplus Revenue; and that action on Oakland Street Extension be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 30.  
(Department of Public Works)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Public Works to resurface, reconstruct, or drain, a section of Pond Street, appropriate or borrow money to pay for same or otherwise act thereon.

Motion of Finance Committee for Indefinite Postponement, declared lost.

**Voted**, unanimously, on substitute motion of Jerry Torti, to authorize the Board of Public Works to resurface, reconstruct, and drain, a section of Pond Street, appropriate the sum of \$35,000.00 to pay for same, to be taken from Surplus Revenue.

ARTICLE 31.  
(Department of Public Works)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Public Works to reconstruct and improve the drainage system on Glenwood Street, Glen Street, South Main Street, and South Avenue, appropriate or borrow money to pay for same, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, to authorize the Board of Public Works to reconstruct and improve the drainage system on Glenwood Street, Glen Street, South Main Street, and South Avenue, and that the sum of \$7,500.00 be appropriated from Surplus Revenue.

ARTICLE 32.  
(Department of Public Works)

To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate by borrowing or otherwise, to resurface, reconstruct, or drain Speen Street south of West Central Street, such sum or part thereof to be used in conjunction with money contributed by the State and County, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, on substitute motion, to have the Moderator appoint a Committee of 5 which shall study the question of widening and paving or otherwise improving Speen Street and investigate all other matters pertinent thereto and report at the next Annual Town Meeting; hand vote, with tellers; yeas, 78; nays, 66.

Committee: Mrs. Eda M. Drugg, Temporary Chairman; John F. Kelley, Myron Douglas, William L. Larkin, Jr., and Jerry T. Torti.



### ARTICLE 33.

(Department of Public Works)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Public Works to construct a new well, pumping station, install pumping equipment and accessories, and connecting main on land owned by the Town of Natick on Oak Street, appropriate by borrowing or otherwise money therefor, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, to authorize the Board of Public Works to construct a new well, pumping station, install pumping equipment and accessories, and connecting main on land owned by the Town of Natick on Oak Street, and that the sum of \$45,000.00 be appropriated from Water Surplus Revenue for these purposes.

### ARTICLE 34.

(Department of Public Works)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Public Works to extend water mains, to replace existing mains, with pipe of not less than six (6) inch diameter, and install booster pump stations in low pressure areas, and to clean and repair the existing reservoir, appropriate or borrow money to pay for same, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, to authorize the Board of Public Works to extend water mains: to replace existing mains with pipe of not less than six inch diameter; install booster pump stations in low pressure areas; and to clean and repair the existing reservoir, and that the sum of \$93,590.00 be appropriated for these purposes, as follows: \$6,188.18 from the earnings of the Water Department and \$87,401.82 from Water Surplus Revenue.

### ARTICLE 35.

(Department of Public Works)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Public Works to extend the sewer main on Madison Street, transfer, appropriate or borrow money to pay for same, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, to authorize the Board of Public Works to extend the sewer main on Madison Street and that the sum of \$5,000.00 be appropriated from Sewer Surplus Revenue, and that assessments be made upon the abuttors as authorized by any general or special law.

### ARTICLE 36.

(Department of Public Works)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Public Works to construct sewer house connections on Marion Street and on Bacon Street, east of Marion Street, transfer, appropriate or borrow money to pay for same, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, to authorize the Board of Public Works to construct sewer house connections on Marion Street and on Bacon Street, east of Marion Street and that the sum of \$15,000.00 be appropriated from Sewer Surplus Revenue and that assessments be made upon the abuttors as authorized by any general or special law.

### ARTICLE 37.

(Department of Public Works)

To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate to permit the Board of Public Works to purchase for the Water Division such equipment as in their judgment may be necessary, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, Indefinite Postponement.

### ARTICLE 38.

(Department of Public Works)

To see if the Town will vote to accept a gift of land in Natick from H. Ambrose Knights, said land containing twelve hundred forty-five (1,245) square feet more or less, being shown on plan entitled "Plan of Pumping Station Lot, East Central Street" dated February 1955, and drawn by Haley and Ward, Engineers of Boston, Massa-

chusetts, transferred to the Town of Natick by H. Ambrose Knights by deed and being bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the northerly side of East Central Street at a concrete bound located 328.97 feet east of a Massachusetts Highway Bound, thence running easterly along the northerly sideline of East Central Street for a distance of 30 feet to a concrete bound; thence northerly 40 feet more or less to a point, bearing N 23° 56' 50" W, thence westerly 30 feet more or less to a point; thence southerly 43 feet more or less, bearing S 23° 56' 50" E, to the point of beginning, and place the same under the jurisdiction of the Board of Public Works of the Town of Natick, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, to accept the land in Natick bounded and described in this Article and given by deed of H. Ambrose Knights, and place the same under the jurisdiction of the Commissioners of Public Works.

#### ARTICLE 39.

(Department of Public Works)

To see if the Town will vote to accept a gift of land in Natick from Carling Brewing Company, Inc., said land containing three thousand five hundred twenty-one (3,521) square feet, being shown on plan entitled "Plan of Pumping Station Lot—Natick Industrial Park," and drawn by Haley and Ward, Engineers of Boston, Massachusetts, dated February 1955, transferred to the Town of Natick by Carling Brewing Company, Inc., and being bounded and described as follows:

NORTHWESTERLY 60.06 feet by land shown as "Right of way Martin

Cerel et al. Tr." on said plan;

NORTHEASTERLY 57.35 feet and SOUTHEASTERLY 60 feet by other land of the Grantor; and

SOUTHWESTERLY 60 feet by land of Martin Cerel et al. Tr., and place the same under the jurisdiction of the Board of Public Works of the Town of Natick, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, to accept the land in Natick bounded and described in this Article and given by deed of Carling Brewing Company, Inc., and place the same under the jurisdiction of the Commissioners of Public Works.

#### ARTICLE 40.

(Department of Public Works)

To see if the Town will vote to accept a gift of land in Natick from United Reis Homes, Inc., said land containing two thousand five hundred (2,500) square feet, being shown on plan entitled "Sub-Division of Land in Natick, Massachusetts," and drawn by Roland H. Barnes and Company, Civil Engineers, of Newtonville, Massachusetts, dated June 27, 1952, transferred to the Town of Natick by United Reis Homes, Inc., and being bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point at the northwesterly corner of the described premises thence bearing N 87° 02' 00" E, distance 50.00 feet; thence bearing S 2° 58' 00" E, distance 50.00 feet; thence bearing S 87° 02' 00" W, distance 50.00 feet; thence bearing N 2° 58' 00" W, distance 50.00 feet to the point of beginning,

and place the same under the jurisdiction of the Board of Public Works of the Town of Natick, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, to accept the land in Natick bounded and described in this Article, and given by deed of United Reis Homes, Inc., and place the same under the jurisdiction of the Commissioners of Public Works.

#### ARTICLE 41.

(Department of Public Works)

To see if the Town will vote to release the reservations held for rights for easement or rights of way as are necessary to maintain, construct, alter, operate, repair, remove and inspect sewer effluent pipe lines in and under a parcel of land in the deed covering Lot C on Worcester Street as shown on plan dated May 9, 1934, recorded with said deed, Book 5860, Page 76, the Town of Natick, Grantor, to Bay State Nurseries, Incorporated, Grantee, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to release or abandon, for a sum not less than one dollar, the reservations held for rights for easement or rights of way as are necessary to maintain, construct, alter, operate, repair, remove and inspect sewer affluent pipe lines in and under a parcel of land in the deed covering Lot C on Worcester Street as shown on plan dated May 9, 1934, recorded with said deed, Book 5860, Page 56, the Town of Natick, Grantor, to Bay State Nurseries, Incorporated, Grantee.

ARTICLE 42.  
(Department of Public Works)

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to pay medical expenses of John Daley and to request its Representative to the General Court to seek legislation ratifying this action or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, to appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 from Surplus Revenue to pay the occupationally incurred medical expenses of John Daley.

ARTICLE 43.  
(Department of Public Works)

To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 403 of the Acts of 1936, extending workmen's compensation to all Town employees except members of the police and fire forces.

**Voted**, unanimously, Indefinite Postponement.

ARTICLE 44.  
(Record Storage Vault Committee)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to obtain preliminary plans and estimates for constructing a fireproof record storage vault at the Center School on East Central Street with necessary accessories including structural changes, said funds to be expended under the direction of the committee appointed under Article 48 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of March 22, 1955, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, to appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 from Surplus Revenue for the purpose of obtaining preliminary plans and specifications for constructing a fireproof record storage vault at the Center School on East Central Street with necessary accessories including structural changes, said sum of money to be expended under the direction of the committee appointed under Article 48 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in 1955 and the work to be performed by the Board of Public Works.

ARTICLE 45.

To see if the Town will vote to raise, borrow, or transfer and appropriate a sum of money to complete the expert appraisal of all taxable real estate in the Town as voted under Article 47 of the Warrant of the Annual Town Meeting of March 22, 1955, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, to appropriate the sum of \$20,500.00 from Surplus Revenue to the Board of Assessors to complete the expert appraisal of all taxable real estate in the Town commenced under Article 47 of the Warrant of the Annual Town Meeting held March 22, 1955.

ARTICLE 46.  
(Natick Industrial Council)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote on Article 57 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting of April 14, 1953 by adding thereto substantially the following:

Said seven (7) other members to be appointed for a term of three (3) years, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, Indefinite Postponement.

ARTICLE 47.  
(School Committee)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to obtain plans, specifications, and bids for an addition to the Lilja School building, to construct said addition so as to increase the floor space thereof, and purchase the original equipment and furnishings and vote to raise a sum of money therefor from current tax levy, and by transfer from available funds, and authorize the borrowing of money therefor in accordance with any general or special law permitting the Town to borrow for said purpose, or take any action relative thereto.

**Voted**, to appropriate the sum of \$11,000.00 from Surplus Revenue for the purpose of obtaining preliminary plans and specifications for an addition to the Lilja School Building; said sum of money to be expended by a Committee of five to be appointed by the Moderator.

Committee: Fletcher A. Hatch, William G. Martin, Jr., Mildred G. Prunaret, George L. Flynn and Arthur G. Atkinson.  
George L. Flynn, resigned; Kenneth J. Cummings, to fill vacancy.

ARTICLE 48.  
(School Committee)

To see if the Town will take any action necessary under any general or special law to permit the transfer of a parcel of the Town land, adjacent to and easterly of the present east boundary line of the Lilja School site to the jurisdiction of the School Committee for use with the present school site, being bounded and described as follows:

Commencing at the southeasterly corner of the Lilja School property and Bacon Street, thence running North  $16^{\circ} 18' 30''$  East for a distance of four hundred and ten (410) feet; there turning and running South  $73^{\circ} 41' 30''$  East for a distance of five hundred thirty-one and forty-three hundredths (531.43) feet; there turning and running South  $31^{\circ} 11' 35''$  West for a distance of five hundred ninety-eight and ninety-nine hundredths (598.99) feet; there turning and running North  $68^{\circ} 52' 40''$  West for a distance of two hundred thirty-three and forty-three hundredths (233.43) feet; there turning and running North  $73^{\circ} 41' 30''$  West for a distance of ninety-five (95) feet to the point of the beginning. Said parcel of land being shown as 4.59 acres on a plan entitled "Plan of Land in Natick, Massachusetts," scale 1"=40'. January 3, 1955, survey by MacCarthy Engineering Service, Inc.,

or otherwise act relative to said land to permit said use.

**Voted**, unanimously, on substitute motion of Mr. Ross for the School Committee, to transfer the care, custody, management and control of a parcel of town land, adjacent to and easterly of the present east boundary line of the Lilja School to the jurisdiction of the School Committee for use with the present school site, said parcel of land being bounded and described as follows:

Beginning on the Northerly sideline of Bacon Street at a concrete bound at the Southeast corner of the present school site, thence bearing N  $16^{\circ} - 18' - 30''$  E, distance 410.00 feet; thence bearing S  $73^{\circ} - 41' - 30''$  E, distance 100.00 feet; thence bearing S  $16^{\circ} - 18' - 30''$  W, distance 410.42 feet; thence by the Northerly sideline of Bacon Street, bearing N  $68^{\circ} - 52' - 40''$  W, distance 5.02 feet; thence bearing N  $73^{\circ} - 41' - 30''$  W, distance 95.00 feet by the Northerly sideline of Bacon Street to the point of beginning, said parcel of land being a part of the parcel described in Article 48 of this Warrant.

ARTICLE 49.  
(School Committee)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to obtain plans, specifications, and bids for an addition to the Lincoln School building, to construct said addition so as to increase the floor space thereof, and purchase the original equipment and furnishings and vote to raise a sum of money therefor from current tax levy, and by transfer from available funds, and authorize the borrowing of money



therefor in accordance with any general or special law permitting the Town to borrow for said purpose, or take any action relative thereto.

**Voted**, unanimously, to appropriate the sum of \$11,000.00 from Surplus Revenue for the purpose of obtaining preliminary plans and specifications for an addition to the Lincoln School Building; said sum of money to be expended by a Committee of five to be appointed by the Moderator.

Committee: Fletcher A. Hatch, William G. Martin, Jr., Mildred G. Prunaret, George L. Flynn and Arthur G. Atkinson.

George L. Flynn, resigned; Kenneth J. Cummings, to fill vacancy.

#### ARTICLE 50. (School Committee)

To see if the Town will vote to acquire by gift, purchase, or take by eminent domain, for public school building and use, all or any part of a certain parcel of land in Natick, easterly of Oak Street and southerly of Winter Street, bounded and described as follows:

Commencing at a point on the East side of Oak Street and proceeding N 22° 47' 05" W 50.75 feet there turning and running N 77° 04' 55" E 7.22 feet and N 80° 13' E 386.76 feet there turning and running N 07° 52' 55" W 1002.69 feet, there turning and running N 84° 24' 55" E 198.0 feet there turning and running N 18° 19' 13" W 150.07 feet there turning and running Easterly on Winter Street 30.0 feet there turning and running S 18° 19' 13" E 271.94 feet there turning and running S 76° 45' 35" E 239.07 feet there turning and running S 09° 47' 00" E 828.81 feet, there turning and running S 80° 13' W 883.74 feet and S 77° 04' 55" W 60.15 feet to point of origin; said parcel of land being shown as Parcel #1 and #2 on a plan entitled "Plan of Land in Natick, Mass.," Jan. 3, 1956, MacCarthy Engineering Service, Inc.

and appropriate, or borrow, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to acquire the same or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain or purchase, or otherwise acquire for public school building and use all or any part of a certain parcel of land in Natick, bounded and described in the Article, easterly of Oak Street and Southerly of Winter Street, and that the sum of \$1.00 be appropriated therefor from Surplus Revenue.

#### ARTICLE 51. (Chief of Police)

To see if the Town will vote to raise, borrow or transfer and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of installing a Police Signal System, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, to appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 from Surplus Revenue for the purpose of installing a Police Signal System, and that the work be performed by and the money expended under the supervision of the Fire Department.

#### ARTICLE 52. (Chief of Fire Department)

To see if the Town will vote to purchase, or take by eminent domain, or otherwise acquire for Fire Department purposes a certain parcel or parcels of land bounded and described as follows:

The land in the Town of Natick, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, shown on the Town of Natick Assessors' Block Map No. 207 as Lots No. 40 and No. 41. Bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the southwesterly corner of the premises on the North side of Worcester Street, at the corner of Oak Street, running Northwesterly by Oak Street 132.18, Easterly by land of Stocks 100.00, Southerly by land of McKenna 30.88, Westerly by land of McKenna 20.14, Southerly by land of McKenna 89.25, Westerly by Worcester Street 80.58, as of plan of Land in Natick, Mass., June 26, 1953. Scale 1 in. T 20 ft. H. W. Whittier, C.E.

and appropriate, or borrow, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to acquire the same, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, Indefinite Postponement.

#### ARTICLE 53.

(Chief of Fire Department)

To see if the Town will vote to raise, borrow or transfer and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of erecting a fire station on the land described in Article 52 of this Warrant, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, Indefinite Postponement.

#### ARTICLE 54.

(Chief of Fire Department)

To see if the Town will vote to amend its By-Laws by adding the following sections to Article VIII.

#### FIRE PREVENTION REGULATIONS

Section 22. The Chief of the Fire Department, or any member of said Department, authorized by the Chief as an Inspector, may at all reasonable hours, enter any building or premises for the purpose of making any inspection, or investigation which, under the provisions of Town by-law, State law, rule or regulation, he or they may be authorized to make.

Section 23. Whenever the Chief or any Inspector of the Fire Department shall find in any building or upon any premises dangerous or hazardous conditions as hereinafter defined, such conditions shall be removed or remedied in any reasonable manner and within such time as ordered by the Chief of the Fire Department;

- a. Dangerous or unlawful amounts of combustible or explosive matter;
- b. Hazardous conditions arising from defective or improperly installed equipment for handling or using combustible or explosive matter;
- c. Dangerous accumulations of rubbish, waste paper, boxes, shavings or other highly flammable materials;
- d. Accumulations of dust or waste material in air conditioning systems or of grease in kitchen exhaust ducts;
- e. Obstructions to or on fire escapes, stairs, passageways, doors or windows, liable to interfere with the operations of the Fire Department or egress of occupants in case of fire;
- f. Any building or other structure which, for want of repairs, lack of exit facilities, or dilapidated condition, or from any other cause, creates a fire hazard.

The service of such orders as mentioned in this section may be made upon the owner or occupant either by delivering a copy to him personally, or in case no such person is found, by affixing a copy thereof in a conspicuous place on said premises, or by mailing such copy by registered mail to the owner's last known post office address as appearing on the Assessors' records.

Section 24. The Chief of the Fire Department shall inspect each business, mercantile and manufacturing establishment, school, place of assembly, hospital, place of detention, rooming house, motel, hotel, nursing home, rest home and multi-family house; and shall specify suitable fire detecting devices or extinguishing appliances which shall be provided, in or near furnace rooms, kitchens of restaurants and like establishments, storage rooms containing combustible material, rooms in which hazardous manufacturing processes are conducted, garage sections, and other places of a generally hazardous nature. Such devices or appliances may be approved by the Chief of the Fire Department. In specially hazardous processes or storages, appliances of more than one type or special systems may be required.

Sprinkler systems, standpipe systems, fire alarm systems, and other fire protective or extinguishing systems or appliances which have been installed in compliance, shall be maintained in operative condition at all times, and it

shall be unlawful for any owner or occupant to reduce the effectiveness of the protection so required; except this shall not prohibit the owner or occupant from temporarily reducing or discontinuing the protection where necessary to make tests, repairs, alterations or additions. The Chief of the Fire Department shall be notified before such tests, repairs, alterations or additions are started, unless the work is to be continuous until completion.

Section 25. a. No person shall kindle or maintain any bonfire or rubbish fire or authorize any such fire to be kindled or maintained on or in any public street, alley, road or other public ground without a permit from the town official having jurisdiction thereof.

b. No person shall kindle or maintain any bonfire or rubbish fire or authorize any such fire to be kindled or maintained on any private land unless (1) the location is not less than 25 feet from any structure and adequate provision is made to prevent fire from spreading to within 25 feet of any structure, or (2) the fire is contained in a waste burner approved by the Chief of the Natick Fire Department, located not less than 15 feet from any structure or party line. Nor shall any person kindle a fire upon the land of another without permission of the owner thereof.

Section 26. Accumulations of waste paper, hay, straw, litter or combustible or flammable waste or rubbish of any kind shall not be permitted to remain upon any roof or in any court, yard, vacant lot or open space.

All weeds, grass, vines or other growth, when same endangers property, or is liable to be fired, shall be cut down and removed by owner or occupant of the property where it is located.

Said accumulation or growth shall be removed within a period of seven (7) days upon written order of the Chief of the Fire Department served upon the owner or occupant of said premises, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted,** unanimously, to amend its By-Laws by adding the following Sections to Article VIII thereof:

“Section 22. The Chief of the Fire Department, or any member of said Department, authorized by the Chief as an Inspector, may at all reasonable hours, enter any building or premises for the purpose of making any inspection, or investigation which, under the provisions of Town by-law, State law, rule or regulation, he or they may be authorized to make.

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a. Dangerous or unlawful amounts of combustible or explosive matter;

b. Hazardous conditions arising from defective or improperly installed equipment for handling or using combustible or explosive matter;

c. Dangerous accumulations of rubbish, waste paper, boxes, shavings or other highly flammable materials;

d. Accumulations of dust or waste material in air conditioning systems or of grease in kitchen exhaust ducts;

e. Obstructions to or on fire escapes, stairs, passageways, doors or windows, liable to interfere with the operations of the Fire Department or egress of occupants in case of fire;

f. Any building or other structure which, for want of repairs, lack of exit facilities, or dilapidated condition, or from any other cause, creates a fire hazard.

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Sprinkler systems, standpipe systems, fire alarm systems, and other fire protective or extinguishing systems or appliances which have been installed in compliance, shall be maintained in operative condition at all times, and it shall be unlawful for any owner or occupant to reduce the effectiveness of the protection so required; except this shall not prohibit the owner or occupant from temporarily reducing or discontinuing the protection where necessary to make tests, repairs, alterations or additions. The Chief of the Fire Department shall be notified before such tests, repairs, alterations or additions are started, unless the work is to be continuous until completion," and that the subject matter contained in Sections 25 and 26 be referred to the Chief of the Fire Department for further consideration of wording.

#### APPROVAL OF ATTORNEY GENERAL:

Boston, Mass.

June 4, 1956

The foregoing amendment to by-laws is hereby approved.

*George Fingold*, Attorney General

A true copy.

Attest:

**JAMES H. FLEMING,**

Town Clerk of Natick.

(Published according to law)



ARTICLE 55.  
(Town of Natick Contributory Retirement System)

To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 670 of the Acts of 1955 relative to increasing the amounts of Pensions, Retirement Allowances and Annuities payable to certain former public employees, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, to accept Chapter 670 of the Acts of 1955 relative to increasing the amount of Pensions, Retirement Allowances and Annuities payable to certain former public employees and that the sum of \$1,579.12 be appropriated from Surplus Revenue for said increase, as follows:

Non-Contributory Pensions	\$ 400.00
Contributory Retirement System (Pension Fund)	1,179.12
Total	<hr/> \$1,579.12

ARTICLE 56.  
(By Petition — John A. Morris and others)

To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of erecting suitable plaques or memorials in those schools in the Town of Natick named in honor of deceased veterans, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, Indefinite Postponement.

ARTICLE 57.  
(Natick Housing Authority)

To see whether the Town of Natick will approve the erection of a new housing project by the Natick Housing Authority and will approve all applications therefor and incident thereto of said Housing Authority in performance of the provisions of Chapter 667, of the Acts and Resolves of Massachusetts of the year 1954 titled "An Act to Provide for the Housing of Elderly Persons of Low Income," or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, on substitute motion of Charles M. Winterson, that the Town of Natick approve the erection of a new Housing Project by the Natick Housing Authority and will approve all applications therefor and incident thereto of said Housing Authority in pursuance of the provisions of Chapter 667, of the Acts and Resolves of Massachusetts of the year 1954, titled "An Act to Provide for the Housing of Elderly Persons of Low Income."

**Voted**, to adjourn to next Tuesday evening, April 3rd, 7:30 in this hall.

Adjourned 11:45 P.M.

A Record of the Proceedings of the Third Session.

JAMES H. FLEMING,  
Town Clerk of Natick.

A true copy.

Attest:

JAMES H. FLEMING,  
Town Clerk of Natick.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, 1956  
FOURTH SESSION, APRIL 3, 1956

Meeting called to order by the Moderator at 7:45 P.M. and stated that there was a Quorum present.

ARTICLE 58.  
(By Petition — Everett A. McCassey and others)

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the Old Town Park in South Natick or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, to appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 from Surplus Revenue for the improvement of the Old Town Park in South Natick, and that the work be performed and the money expended under the supervision of the Commis-

sioners of Public Works, in accordance with plans to meet with the approval of the Park Department.

#### ARTICLE 59.

(By Petition — Carl E. Hatch and others)

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$3500 for the purpose of constructing a Tennis Court-Skating Rink at the Bennett-Hemenway School on East Evergreen Road in Natick, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, Indefinite Postponement.

#### ARTICLE 60.

(By Petition — E. J. Dada and others)

To see what sum the Town will appropriate for improving the Town Forest and adopting it for public instruction and recreation, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted**, unanimously, to appropriate the sum of \$420.00 from Surplus Revenue for improving the Town Forest and adapting it for public instruction and recreation and that the work be performed by and the money expended under the supervision of the Tree Department.

#### ARTICLE 61.

(Planning Board)

To see if the Town will vote to amend its Building Code and Zoning By-Laws by adding to District M-9 of Section 17.3.3 thereof land bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on Oak Street where the Northerly line of Pine Street extended would intersect the Easterly line of Oak Street; thence running in a Northeasterly direction by a continuation of the extension of the Northerly line of Pine Street about Eight Hundred Seventy-five (875) feet to the Northwesterly corner of land of Kathryn E. Marco; thence Southwesterly by land of Kathryn E. Marco One Thousand Twenty-eight and 3/100 (1028.03) feet to Oak Street; thence Northwesterly along Oak Street about One Thousand Ninety-eight (1098) feet to the point of beginning,

or otherwise act thereon.

The Report of the Planning Board was read.

Motion made by the Planning Board and duly seconded, for a smaller area than called for in original Article.

Finance Committee recommends favorable action on the motion of the Planning Board.

Motion for Indefinite Postponement on this Article was carried.

#### ARTICLE 62.

(Building Inspector)

To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 1—Section 1.1.2 of the Zoning By-Laws by the addition of the following:

“For bill-boards and advertising signs exceeding thirty-two square feet.”

The Planning Board recommends favorable action on this Article.

The Finance Committee recommends favorable action on the motion of the Planning Board.

**Voted**, to amend Section 1.1.2 of the Zoning By-Laws by addition of the following:

“For bill-boards and advertising signs exceeding thirty-two square feet.”  
hand vote, with tellers; yeas, 95; nays, 5.

APPROVAL OF ATTORNEY GENERAL:

Boston, Mass.

June 4, 1956

The foregoing amendment to by-laws is hereby approved.

*George Fingold*, Attorney General

A true copy.

Attest:

JAMES H. FLEMING,

Town Clerk of Natick.

(Published according to law)

ARTICLE 63.

(Building Inspector)

To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 17. 1. 3. of the Zoning By-Laws by withdrawing from the list of permissible uses in B-Business and inserting in M-Manufacturing the following:

1. "For a public building, office building or bank."
2. By adding to the list of permissible uses in Par. 2 the word "retail" to be inserted before the word "wholesale," and the words "an assembly plant" to be inserted after the word "warehouse."

By striking out the words "a car-barn" and inserting in place thereof the words "a transportation terminal."

The report of the Planning Board was read as follows:

This Article as described in the Warrant was in error and it was not the intent to withdraw the item listed from the B-Business category. It was intended to permit their use in the Manufacturing District in which at the present time there is some doubt whether or not they can be used. Therefore, the Planning Board is offering a motion for Article 63 which will make no change in the Business District paragraphs but will add to Section 1 of the Manufacturing District the permissible uses requested by a number of industries who are contemplating Natick as a future home.

The Planning Board recommends adoption of this motion.

Respectfully submitted,

NATICK PLANNING BOARD

Daniel J. Murphy, Jr., Chairman

G. Milo Balcom, Secretary

The Finance Committee recommends favorable action on the motion of the Planning Board.

**Voted**, unanimously, on motion of D. J. Murphy, Jr., seconded by G. Milo Balcom to amend Section 17.1.3 of the Zoning By-Laws by changing M-Manufacturing District Section 1 to read as follows:

For a public building, office building or a bank; for a retail, wholesale or public storage warehouse.

A building structure or yard for storage or preparation of lumber, stone, brick, gravel, sand, cement or similar bulky merchandise.

A freight station, an assembly plant, a transportation terminal, a vehicle painting or repair shop.

APPROVAL OF ATTORNEY GENERAL:

Boston, Mass.

June 4, 1956

The foregoing amendment to zoning by-laws is hereby approved.

*George Fingold*, Attorney General

A true copy.

Attest:

JAMES H. FLEMING,

Town Clerk of Natick.

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#### ARTICLE 64.

(By Petition — Mary Balzarini and others)

To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 17.3.4 of the Building Code by enlarging Business District No. B20 to include land bounded and described as follows: A parcel of land on the southerly side of Worcester Street, also called Worcester Turnpike, said parcel commencing at a point on said Worcester Street 46 feet, more or less, westerly of the southwest corner of Maine Avenue and Worcester Street; thence turning and running from said point southerly by land now or formerly of Waban Rose Conservatories, 798.05 feet; thence turning and running northwesterly by land now or formerly of the Town of Natick, 915.63 feet to said Worcester Street; thence turning and running easterly on said Worcester Street 500 feet to the point of beginning. Said parcel containing 6 acres more or less, or otherwise act thereon. The report of the Planning Board was read.

The Finance Committee recommends that the subject matter of this Article be referred to the Planning Board for study and report at the next Annual Town Meeting.

Motion of Walter Burke, Esq., and duly seconded, to amend its Building Code and Zoning By-Laws by adding to Section 17.3.4 thereof a district numbered B22 to include land bounded and described as follows: a parcel of land on the southerly side of Worcester Street, also called Worcester Turnpike, said parcel commencing at a point on said Worcester Street forty-five & 38/100ths feet (45.38') westerly of the southwest corner of Maine Avenue and Worcester Street; thence turning and running from said point S 04°-45'-40" E, seven hundred ninety-one & 79/100ths feet (791.79') by land of Natick Federal Savings & Loan Association, Mieczyslaw and Sophie M. Bobinski, Alexander Deveau, William and Margaret McCarthy, Mary Balzarini, Connecticut Avenue and Mary Balzarini to a point as shown on plan hereinafter mentioned; thence turning and running N 37°-47'-20" W, eight hundred fifty-four & 19/100ths feet (854.19') along Right of Way and land of Town of Natick to a point on said Worcester Street, as shown on said plan; thence turning and running N 81°-43'-23" E, fifteen & 16/100ths feet (15.16') to a point as shown on said plan; thence turning and running N 08°-16'-37" W, twenty-five feet (25.00') to a point on said Worcester Street as shown on said plan; thence turning and running N 81°-43'-23" E, three hundred seventy-four & 60/100ths feet (374.60') along Worcester Street and State Layouts—1955 as shown on said plan to a point; thence turning and running N 08°-16'-37" W along Worcester Street twenty feet (20.00') to a point on said Worcester Street as shown on said plan; thence easterly along a curve with a radius of sixteen hundred forty-five feet (1645') a distance of seventy-nine & 61/100ths feet (79.61') to land of Natick Federal Savings and Loan and point of beginning. Said parcel contains 4.28 acres as shown on said plan. Said parcel is shown on "Plan of Land in Natick, Mass., owned by Mary Balzarini, scale 1"=40' dated March 6, 1956, Plan by MacCarthy Engineering Service, Inc., Natick, Mass."

Motion by Mr. Rogers for Indefinite Postponement.

Motion of Finance Committee was now put and declared lost.

Motion of Mr. Burke was now put, hand vote, with tellers; yeas, 76; nays, 44, and declared lost.

Motion for Indefinite Postponement was now put and it was voted.

#### ARTICLE 65.

(By Petition — Andrew B. Goodspeed and others)

To see if the Town will vote to amend its By-Laws in Article VI by adding at the end of Section 1 a new provision, in substance as follows: — Any member of said Committee who has served three consecutive terms shall not be eligible for re-appointment for three years thereafter.

**Voted,** Indefinite Postponement.

#### ARTICLE 66.

(By Petition — Andrew B. Goodspeed and others)

To see if the Town will vote to amend its By-Laws in Article VI by adding a new section, in substance as follows:



Section —. No transfer shall be made from the Committee's reserve fund except as authorized by vote of a majority of its entire membership at a meeting of the Committee.

**Voted**, unanimously, Indefinite Postponement.

#### ARTICLE 67.

(By Petition — Andrew B. Goodspeed and others)

To see if the Town will vote to amend its By-laws in Article VI by striking from Section 1 the following sentence commencing: "Any member of said Committee who shall be appointed or elected to any town office shall forthwith upon his qualification in such office, and any member of said Committee . . ." and by adding the following sentence:

"Except as otherwise provided in these by-laws any member of said Committee who shall accept nomination to any town office, or appointment to any town office, town employment, or committee authorized by vote of a Town Meeting, shall upon such acceptance cease to be a member of said Committee."

**Voted**, Indefinite Postponement.

#### ARTICLE 68.

(By Petition — Andrew B. Goodspeed and others)

To see if the Town will vote to amend its By-Laws in Article II by adding a new sentence to Section 6, in substance as follows: When requested by one-third of the Town Meeting Members present a vote may be taken by polling the members, or may be taken by secret ballot.

**Voted**, to amend its By-Laws in Article II by adding a new sentence to Section 6, as follows:

"When requested by at least one-third of the Town Meeting Members present a vote may be taken by polling the members, or may be taken by secret ballot."

#### APPROVAL OF ATTORNEY GENERAL:

Boston, Mass.

June 4, 1956

The foregoing amendment to by-laws is hereby approved.

*George Fingold*, Attorney General

A true copy.

Attest:

JAMES H. FLEMING,

Town Clerk of Natick.

(Published according to law)

#### ARTICLE 69.

(By Petition — Andrew B. Goodspeed and others)

To see if the Town will vote to amend its By-Laws in Article II, Section 9, by adding a new sentence, in substance as follows:

No official or employee of the Town, and no member of a committee authorized by vote of a Town Meeting, shall vote upon a subject matter in which he has a direct, personal or financial interest.

**Voted**, Indefinite Postponement.

#### ARTICLE 70.

(By Petition — Andrew B. Goodspeed and others)

To see if the Town will vote to amend its By-Laws in Article II by adding a new section, in substance as follows:

Section —. Any vote of a Town Meeting appropriating money for the construction, installation, improvement or repair of a public way, or of a sewerage or water facility, shall specify where the work is to be done.

**Voted**, unanimously, Indefinite Postponement.

## ARTICLE 71.

(By Petition — Andrew B. Goodspeed and others)

To see if the Town will vote to accept Section 8-A of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 102 of the Acts of 1955, to permit the establishment of a development and industrial commission for the promotion and development of the Industrial Resources of the Town, or otherwise act thereon.

**Voted, Indefinite Postponement.**

## ARTICLE 72.

(By Petition — Barbara C. Johnson and others)

To see if the Town will vote to amend its Building Code and Zoning By-Laws in Section 17.1.3 by designating and redefining certain classes of zoning, as follows:

B. — BUSINESS DISTRICT 2. For a restaurant, a mercantile business or store.

### M. — MANUFACTURING DISTRICT

(a) In manufacturing districts, except as provided in paragraph (c) of this section, no buildings, or structures shall be erected, altered, enlarged, extended or reconstructed and no buildings, structures or lands, or parts thereof, shall be used for any purpose which may be injurious, obnoxious or offensive to such a neighborhood by reason of noise, smoke, odors, gas, dust or similar objectionable features, or dangerous to a neighborhood on account of fire, or any other cause; or without limiting the generality of the foregoing for any of the following purposes:

1. Acetylene gas manufacturing.
2. Ammonia, bleaching powder or chlorine manufacturing.
3. Asphalt manufacturing or refining.
4. Assaying, other than gold or silver.
5. Blast furnace.
6. Boiler making.
7. Brass, copper, iron or steel manufacturing.
8. Brick, terra cotta or tile manufacturing.
9. Candle manufacturing.
10. Celluloid manufacturing, treatment or storage.
11. Cement, lime or plaster of Paris manufacturing.
12. Coke manufacturing.
13. Cremation, except in a cemetery.
14. Creosote treatment or manufacturing.
15. Dextrine, glucose or starch manufacturing.
16. Disinfectant, insecticide or poison manufacturing.
17. Distillation of bones, coal or wood.
18. Dyestuff manufacturing.
19. Emery cloth or sandpaper manufacturing.
20. Enamel, japan, lacquer, oil, paint, shellac, turpentine or varnish manufacturing.
21. Explosives, fireworks or gunpowder manufacturing.
22. Fat rendering.
23. Fertilizer manufacturing.
24. Fish packing or storage.
25. Gasoline, gas, naphtha or petroleum refining, or storing plant.
26. Gelatine, glue or sizing manufacturing.
27. Grease, lard or tallow manufacturing or refining.
28. Hydrochloric, nitric, picric, sulphate or sulphurous acid manufacturing.
29. Incineration or reduction of dead animals, garbage, offal or refuse.
30. Junk yards.
31. Lampblack manufacturing.
32. Linoleum or oilcloth manufacturing.
33. Match manufacturing.
34. Ore reduction.
35. Pickle, sauerkraut, sausage or vinegar manufacturing.
36. Potash refining.
37. Printing ink manufacturing.

38. Pyroxylin manufacturing.
39. Rolling mill.
40. Salt manufacturing.
41. Shoe blacking, cleaning or polish manufacturing.
42. Slaughtering of animals or fowl.
43. Smelting of ores.
44. Soap manufacturing.
45. Soda and soda compounds manufacturing.
46. Stockyards.
47. Stove blacking or polish manufacturing.
48. Sugar refining.
49. Tanning, curing or storage of leather, rawhides or skins.
50. Tar distillation or manufacturing.
51. Tar roofing or tar waterproofing manufacturing.
52. Tobacco (chewing) manufacturing.
53. Yeast manufacturing.
54. Residential structures or uses of any type, except accommodations for a watchman or janitor in connection with a manufacturing use.

(b) In manufacturing districts, buildings or structures may be erected, altered, enlarged, extended or reconstructed, and buildings, structures and lands may be used for: (1) Storage warehouse, place of business of a cleaner, and for (2) any purpose not prohibited by paragraph (a) of this section except: (a) public or private dump or place of depositing abandoned property or refuse, (b) removal of sod, loam, subsoil, sand or gravel for the purpose of sale thereof.

(c) In manufacturing districts, the Board of Selectmen may give permission in accordance with the procedure provided in Section 1.1.2 for the construction, alteration, enlargement, extension or reconstruction of buildings or structures and for the use of buildings, structures or lands for one or more of the following purposes: (1) Public or private dump, or place of depositing abandoned property or refuse; (2) the removal of sod, loam, subsoil, sand or gravel for the purpose of sale thereof; (3) plant for mixing asphalt or cement with sand or gravel, stone or other aggregates; (4) junk yards.

The report of the Planning Board was read.

Finance Committee recommends favorable action on the report of the Planning Board.

**Voted**, on motion of Mr. Winterson, that the subject matter of this Article be referred to the Planning Board.

Meeting dissolved 11:35 P.M.

A Record of the Proceedings of the Fourth and Final Session.

JAMES H. FLEMING,  
Town Clerk of Natick.

A true copy.

Attest:

JAMES H. FLEMING,  
Town Clerk of Natick

# *List of Jurors 1956-1957*

Amoroso, William P.	Salesman	209-A Bacon St.
Anderson, John L.	Superintendent	10 Broads Ave.
Antalek, John W.	Town of Natick	17 Curve St.
Armistead, Virgil L.	General Motors	4 Park Ave.
Ash, Clifford L.	Research	6 Hemlock Dr.
Austin, Charles P.	Printer	30 Curtis Rd.
Badger, Walter W.	General Motors	16 Marion St.
Baker, Harry D.	Mech. Engineer	11 Beacon St.
Balcom, Ernest C.	Whipple Co.	5 Clarendon St.
Barber, Henry A.	Insurance	223 W. Central St.
Barnstein, Melvin	Foreman	10 Hemlock Dr.
Bauman, Raphael F.	Branch Mgr.	6 Vernon Rd.
Bayley, Russell J.	Copy Writer	6 Crescent St.
Beale, George A.	Supervisor	2 Hartford St.
Bean, Clarence A.	Gardener	46 Speen St.
Begley, Edward R.	Engineer	71 Pond St.
Behrend, Adolph	Florist	1 Lake St.
Bell, Gardner E.	Electrician	10 Fern St.
Berg, Frederick L.	Art Director	15 Braemore Rd.
Bishop, Lewis Z., Jr.	Truck Driver	16 Avon St.
Bliss, Frank F.	Foreman	22 Union St.
Bonanno, Charles D., 2nd.	Laundry Mgr.	23 Barnesdale Rd.
Bond, Mildred A.	At Home	8 High St.
Boyd, Firth R.	Salesman	111 Pond St.
Brandon, Alex E.	Supervisor	32 Harwood Rd.
Bregoli, Alfred	Florist	145 Eliot St.
Breidenthal, Charles H.	Telephone Company	48 Pilgrim Rd.
Brenneman, Richard S.	Radiator Co.	151 Hartford St.
Bresse, Donald E.	General Motors	8 Lodge Rd.
Brew, John R.	Accountant	7 Spring Valley Rd.
Brickman, Henry G.	Ex. Director	8 Hampton Rd.
Brittain, William A.	Supervisor	37 Pilgrim Rd.
Brooks, Arthur H.	Bank Teller	10 Terrace Rd.
Brown, Crawford H.	Salesman	6 Retrop Rd.
Brown, Harold F.	Telechron Co.	20 Tucker St.
Brown, Lawrence E.	Insurance	79 Cottage St.
Buckley, John J.	Mechanic	25 Whittier Rd.
Burrows, Walter W.	Maintenance	12 Euclid Ave.
Butt, Charles	Machinist	11 Sunshine Ave.
Carroll, Robert M.	Deckle Man	48 MacArthur Rd.
Carter, Harrison V.	Store Keeper	5 Massachusetts Ave.
Catlin, Ephron, Jr.	Banker	96 Eliot St.
Caton, David C.	Electronics	29 Cabot St.
Church, Herbert S.	Dennison	7 Nelson St.
Clark, Charles M.	Retired	26 Harwood Rd.
Clark, Harold L.	Retired	Arcadia Rd.
Clark, Roy J.	Lab. Technician	14 Hardwick Rd.
Clover, James A.	Machinist	11 Lake St.
Clymer, John	Architect	50 MacArthur Rd.
Coffey, John E.	Maintenance	8 Warren Rd.
Coffman, Robert	Dennison	44 Curve St.
Cohen, Milton H.	Office Mgr.	3 Millbrook Rd.
Colbourne, Thomas E.	Hard Rubber	3 Shore Rd.
Connell, William F.	Telephone Company	10 Euclid Ave.
Connell, Wilfred T.	Labor Exec.	21 Bellevue Rd.
Corkham, Percy H.	Machinist	143 North Main St.
Cowell, Samuel W.	Gardener	15 Oakridge Ave.
Crowell, Mary E.	Housewife	45 Walnut St.
Crowley, John T.	Lineman	20 Fern St.



Crystal, William  
 Cunningham, Orval J.  
 Cuttall, George W.  
 Daniels, Harold V.  
 Delaney, James B.  
 Devlin, John A.  
 Doherty, Philip J.  
 Donahue, James A.  
 Doucette, Joseph Ernest  
 Douglas, Norman F.  
 Dowd, Edward F.  
 Dowd, Raymond H.  
 Dumas, Frank H.  
 Dwyer, Clement A.  
 Dwyer, Frank A.  
 Egan, Michael J.  
 Eisan, James R.  
 Erickson, George A.  
 Etheridge, Wesley  
 Fahey, Arthur J.  
 Fair, Ella M.  
 Fancy, George W.  
 Faretra, Joseph T.  
 Farr, Joseph M.  
 Field, George B.  
 Fitch, Elmer C.  
 Foss, Carl W.  
 French, Wilford A.  
 Frye, Marshall  
 Gage, Anna E.  
 Galick, George J.  
 Garabedian, Wilbur F.  
 Gardiner, Edward I.

Store Mgr.  
 Staff Assistant  
 Merchant  
 Sales Mgr.  
 District Mgr.  
 Retired  
 Telephone Company  
 Business Mgr.  
 General Motors  
 Retired  
 Manager  
 Dennison  
 Clock Worker  
 Special Agt.  
 Watchman  
 Foreman  
 Raytheon Eng.  
 Carpenter  
 Truck Driver  
 Dye Man  
 Dressmaker  
 Tel. & Tel.  
 General Motors  
 Salesman  
 Maintenance  
 Store Mgr.  
 Supervisor  
 Chemical Engineer  
 General Motors  
 Housewife  
 Sales Mgr.  
 Insurance  
 Retired

12 Kelsey Rd.  
 3 Archer Dr.  
 18 Grant St.  
 6 Archer Dr.  
 17 River St.  
 7 Sherman St.  
 5 Church St.  
 40 Hartford St.  
 10 Fern St.  
 10 Lookout Ave.  
 8 Pleasant St.  
 32 Woodland St.  
 3 Foscett Ct.  
 4 Terrane Ave.  
 36 Walnut St.  
 16 Tucker St.  
 24 Woodland St.  
 27 Woodland St.  
 23 Grove Rd.  
 21 Morse Ave.  
 125 North Ave.  
 36 Farwell St.  
 11 Draper St.  
 10 Marion St.  
 23 Marion St.  
 132 North Ave.  
 31 Hemlock Dr.  
 2 Digren Rd.  
 6 Ambler Ct.  
 5 Rice St.  
 28 Travis Rd.  
 64 West Central St.  
 6 Forest St.

**CHATTER TIME** — and lunch — at the Center School Lunch Room.



Garnick, Philip	Bldg. Mgr.	164 Boden Lane
Garriety, Paul G.	District Mgr.	44 Hemlock Dr.
Garvey, Henry A.	P.W.D.	9 Elmwood Ave.
Geary, L. Eugene	Theatre Mgr.	2 Milk St.
Gilleland, John E.	School Dept.	87 Hartford St.
Glasser, Joseph	Division Mgr.	17 Robinhood Rd.
Goddard, Herbert L.	Machinist	950 Worcester St.
Goldman, Max	Salesman	8 Ranger Rd.
Goodale, Myron A., Jr.	Salesman	21 Longfellow Rd.
Goodwin, Maurice M.	Insurance	65 Rockland St.
Gorman, Edward J.	Tel. & Tel. Co.	18 Lodge Rd.
Grady, Patrick E.	Dennison	4 Mathew Ct.
Gray, Clement B.	Factory Worker	15 Grant St.
Greenwood, Cornelius W.	Accountant	17 Laconia Rd.
Halberg, Richard C.	Tel. Company	12 Nottingham Dr.
Hamill, Cecil	Carpenter	278 North Main St.
Hamilton, John, Jr.	Tel. Company	22 Hammond Rd.
Hansen, Axel T.	Printer	28 Harwood Rd.
Hart, Joseph T.	Dennison	5 Jefferson St.
Hatch, Carl E.	Office Mgr.	23 Hammond Rd.
Hawkins, Harold E.	Machinist	6 Draper St.
Hayes, Warren E.	Accountant	170 South Main St.
Hero, Howard H.	Retired	14 Lincoln St.
Hibbert, W. Gilbert	Pressman	33 Speen St.
Higgins, Ralph H.	Pressman	44 North Main St.
Hizny, John J.	Electronics	19 Curtis Rd.
Holland, Marie A.	Housewife	1 Harwood Rd.
Holt, Robert F.	Accountant	44 Bacon St.
Horgan, Byran	Engineer	15 Sherwood Rd.
Hunter, Philip E.	Sales Sup.	4 Walnut Ave.
Hunter, William N.	Mechanic	5 Foskett Ct.
Hurlburt, Lee S.	Retired	68 Washington St.
Hurvitz, Melvin N.	Salesman	12 Wedgewood Rd.
Hutchinson, Harry J.	Gas Stat. Attendant	9 Laconia Rd.
Huwe, Joan A.	Sales	7 Pelham Rd.
James, Peter J.	Truck Driver	114 South Ave.
Jencunas, Frank J.	Postal Inspector	65 Charles St.
Johnson, Ralph J.	Bus Operator	22 North Main St.
Joyce, Alfred J.	Florist	37 Forest Ave.
Keefe, Joseph T.	Edison Lineman	65 Everett St.
Knox, Hazen M.	Calender Opr.	141 North Main St.
Kukstis, Algirdis A.	Printer	113 Pond St.
Langton, Robert D.	Ast. Pur. Agent	6 School St. Ext.
LaRhette, John A.	Welder	17 Quince St.
Leland, Maurice A.	Insurance	16 Fiske St.
LoCasale, Thomas	Insurance	17 Barnesdale Rd.
Logan, John E.	Blacksmith	121 East Central St.
Loker, John O.	Accountant	31 Florence St.
Lowe, Robert P.	Jeweler	38 Rockland St.
MacDonald, Gardner	Salesman	17 Parkman St.
Mahan, John	Postal Clerk	59 East Central St.
Mannette, William A.	Guard	2 Whitcomb St.
McDonald, Albert A.	Engineer	31 Marion St.
McDonald, Francis C.	General Motors	19 Grant St.
McGowan, William F.	Florist	19 Cochituate St.
Megliola, Michael	Assistant Manager	12 Chester St.
Miller, Bruce	Tel. Company	5 Charles St.
Miller, Roy	Bond Salesman	12 University Dr.
Miller-Jones, William	Manager	26 Purington Ave.
Montgomery, Evelyn M.	Tel. Company	31 Harvard St.
Mooney, William V.	Engineer	23 Fairview Ave.
Murphy, Earl J.	General Motors	6 Fiske Lane
Murphy, John H.	Mail Adv.	84 North Ave.

Murphy, Joseph P.	Chef	79 North Ave.
Nelson, Howard M.	Radio	138 Bacon St.
Nickles, Earl C.	Adv. Mgr.	30 Fiske St.
Oakes, Pauline F.	Housewife	43 Eliot St.
Oxman, Robert	Office Manager	60 Beaver Dam Rd.
Palmer, George W.	Salesman	18 Oak St.
Parker, George W.	Tel. Company	7 Hawthorne St.
Peoples, Samuel	Bus. Exec.	5 Hillside Rd.
Perlman, Leonard M.	Printer	29 Barnesdale Rd.
Peterson, Walter S.	Mfg.	4 Oak Knoll Rd.
Phillips, Howard C.	Auto Dealer	37 Oak Knoll Rd.
Pierce, Richard C.	Truck Driver	36 Beacon St.
Pinkham, Philip G.	Salesman	17 Park Ave.
Pipe, Mary J.	Cashier	45 Washington St.
Pratt, Chester	Chief Engineer	36 Park Ave.
Presutti, Louis	Salesman	230 West Central St.
Priest, Irving A., Jr.	Florist	Wheeler Lane
Prior, Joseph F.	Paper Mill	134 North Main St.
Proctor, Roger H.	Toolmaker	21 Border Rd.
Quine, James F.	Salesman	29 Kelsey Rd.
Rabbio, Frank	Rubber Work	546 Worcester St.
Robbins, Richard A.	Salesman	317 North Main St.
Robinson, Melvin C.	Clerk	7 Pinchurst Ave.
Ross, Allen S.	Statistician	28 West St.
Rugan, Frazer	Edison Company	26 Hartford St.
Russell, Norman A.	Oil Burner Service	20 Nern St.
Santamaria, John	Milkman	29 Park Ave.
Sellars, Chesley G.	Guard	14 Wellesley Rd. Ext.
Slamin, Fred J.	Retired	28 Forest Ave.
Slaterry, John F.	Retired	2 Clifton Rd.
Snell, Donald E.	Superintendent	18 Pinchurst Ave.
Snyder, Samuel I.	Accountant	11 Flynn St.
Souckup, Anna M.	Clerk	2 Tibbetts St.
Spurling, Charles J.	Retired	45 Lakeview Ave.
Steeves, Wilmot R.	Storm Windows	49 Bennett St.
Stuart, Arthur F.	Plumber	250 Bacon St.
Sweeney, Harold L.	Salesman	8 Jackson Ct.
Taddeo, Edward R.	Sanitarian	32 Washington Ave.
Tattrie, Alexander	Salesman	1 Chestnut St.
Walker, Wilfred A.	Foreman	15 Meadow St.
Wallace, George H.	Woodworker	139 North Main St.
Wallace, Timothy R.	Maintenance	10 Drury Lane
Ward, Everett W.	Public Works	1 Charles St.
Weiss, Richard J.	Physicist	39 Westlake Rd.
Wells, Janet C.	Bank Clerk	211 Bacon St.
Wells, Katherine C.	Housewife	211 Bacon St.
Whelan, Martin, Jr.	Tel. Company	3 Columbia Ave.
Whitaker, Charles W.	Retired	253 Bacon St.
Wigglesworth, Fred F.	Custodian	300 Bacon St.
Wilcox, Richard W.	Insurance	8 Spring Valley Rd.
Woodland, Lawrence H.	Salesman	2 Longfellow Rd.
Wright, Russell W.	Roofer	9 Sylvester Rd.
Wright, William C.	Retired	14 Bellevue Rd.
Young, Robert B.	Linotype Operator	149 North Main St.
Zicko, Andrew J.	Plumber	93 North Ave.

We hereby certify the above is a correct list of Jurors for the Town of Natick, Massachusetts, for the years 1956-1957 as prepared and completed by us in accordance with the law this 20th day of August, 1956.

O. EDWIN SWENSON,  
WILLIAM F. WELLS,  
JERRY T. TORTI,

Selectmen of Natick, Massachusetts.















